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A TERRIFIC cyclone swept over Sherman in Texas the other day, completely destroying the western portion of the town. Sixty persons, mostly negroes, were killed, and the Court-house and other buildings converted into *morgues*. The rescue of the living and the search for the dead continued throughout the night. The storm with a path four hundred yards wide swept everything before it. Forty other persons were killed south of the town in addition to those in the city. An iron bridge was blown away and the houses lifted bodily and reduced to ruins. A waterspout burst at the same time over Howe, Texas, where eight persons were killed and many injured. Later accounts estimate the dead at one hundred and twenty and the injured at one hundred. Many were horribly mutilated: in some cases the limbs had been torn off and the features were quite unrecognisable.

IT has generally been stated as an accepted fact that, in competition with European countries, Japan has been assisted in certain industries by cheap labour, enabling many descriptions of Japanese goods to be produced at a much less cost than similar articles manufactured in Europe. The Japanese press now announces that there has been a most extraordinary rise of prices lately in Japan and that the upward tendency still continues. Luxuries have been chiefly affected by this increase in purchasing cost. In comparison with 1893, the price of some goods such as articles made of cotton and silk, have advanced in prices by as much as thirty or forty per cent.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Lecture on the Doctrine of the Trinity, Part II., Mission Hall, Girgaum, by Lieut.-Colonel Freeman, 5-30 p.m.

Aryan Social Union, lecture, People's Free Reading Room and Library, 8-30 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

P. and O. s. s. Ganges, with English mails of the 29th ult., due to arrive, 10 a.m.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The steamer King Arthur entered the dock yesterday, and the steamers Setos and Dunbeth left it on Thursday; the steamers Chupra, Madura, and Dedo left it yesterday.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamers Marques Bacquehem, Ravenna, and Dwarka entered the dock yesterday, and the steamer Rheinfels left it on Thursday; the steamers Stanley Hall, Shannon, and Kurdistan left it yesterday.

THE MOHURRUM.—The Mohurrum festival commenced last evening, and will continue for ten day

BAND NOTICE.—The Band of the 1st Battalion, Bombay Light Infantry, will be drawn up with the 2nd regimental colour under the command of a Native Officer at the Victoria Dock to receive his Highness, at 10-15 a.m, to-day. A salute of twelve guns will be fired from the Saluting battery to announce the departure.

A SMART JUGGLER.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. W. Webb, Third Presidency Magistrate, Tahil Nabi, alias Tahil Ghulam Nabi, was charged with the theft of a gold ring, belonging to Sardasmal Jusraj. Accused went to complainant's shop, and showing him a sample asked if he had gold rings of that pattern? Complainant gave him four gold rings, one of which he smartly exchanged for the brass one he had in his hand, and returned three rings with the brass one. Complainant discovered the trick immediately the accused left, and called out for a policeman. His person was searched, and the stolen gold ring and two other brass rings were found with him. He was convicted, and sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment.

A SUSPICIOUS DEATH.—Mr. Allan F. Turner, the coroner, opened an inquiry, yesterday at the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, on view of the body of a Hindu, named Luximon Antaji, aged thirty years. On the morning of the 8th ultimo, the deceased was found lying unconscious on the Cooperage Road, and, by a policeman doing duty at that locality. He was conveyed by the police to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, where he died on Thursday. The deceased's sister gave evidence, before the coroner, stated that deceased had been ill for the last two months. As the house surgeon of the hospital was desirous of making a post mortem examination of the deceased in order to find out the cause of death, the coroner adjourned the inquiry to the 18th instant.

THE CYCLIST'S HANDBOOK, VATCHA BROTHERS' BOMBAY CYCLE MART.—Messrs. Vatcha Brothers have issued a large well-printed catalogue of their cycles and sundries. The book is divided into two parts, the first giving useful hints in regard to riding and keeping a machine, and the other is the latest catalogue of cycles and accessories with numerous block engravements. The firm at Dadars in cycles have made it their object to import good, handsome, durable, and in every respect perfect cycles at the lowest possible charges. They claim that their machines are constructed on a scientific system embracing all the latest improvements. A special feature about the machines is that they are very light. The catalogue must prove to be a useful guide to cyclists, as it bristles with information on cycling generally, and gives full details regarding machines of various well-known makes.

FRAUD BY A CARTD-RIVER.—Damji Hemraj, a muccadum in the employ of Mr. Raisey Oomerchund, of Mandvie, reported to the police, about 9 o'clock, on Thursday night, that between 8 and 9 o'clock that morning he loaded twenty-three carts with ten bags of rice in each, and directed the cart-drivers to convey them to the Victoria Dock. On Damji leaving the godown a Bongyee Sonar, named Sewji, and going to the dock, he found that only twenty-two carts had been unloaded at the dock and that cart No. 2304, which was also loaded with ten bags, worth Rs. 75, and driven by a Hindu, who gave his name as Ramaj, had not arrived there. The police instituted an inquiry, and ascertained that the cart No. 2204 belongs to Mr. Framji Rustomji, carting agent at Wari Bunder, and that it is at present under repairs, and has not been used for the last twenty days, and that its brass badge, bearing the above number, was stolen from the stables three days ago. The police are making inquiry to find out the individual, who gave his name as Ramaj, and who was in possession of the stolen badge.

FIRE AT BULSAR.—A correspondent, writing on Thursday, says:—A fire broke out in Kathiawad, about 2 p.m. The wind was high at the time, and it would have taken a very serious shape but for the timely aid of Desais, Mahomedans, Parsis, lower class Hindus, and the authorities. The town, despite its vast population and the fostering care of officials, has only one of one fire-engine. Again, the wells are not very large, and almost all of them throughout the town do not yield such a plenty supply as to effectually cope with a conflagration. When the fire broke out a great many persons fell to taking out their furniture and belongings and many even did not heed what the fire might do with their property. The spectators, instead of aiding, hindered others, and the water-carts were blocked by the flocking of the spectators, who had resorted to them. Ladders, Eduji, and Kuverji was untiring. It is highly desirable that one more fire-engine and some water-pumps should be added to the existing stores. To avert catastrophes arising from fire, large wells should be sunk and the people should be prevented from storing combustible and inflammable matter in the heart of the town.

PARSEES AS VOLUNTEERS.—We notice with much pleasure that Mr. Jehangir H. Kothari has been elected by an unanimous vote to be a Second Lieutenant in E. Company of the Sind Volunteer Rifle Corps. We are always glad to see Parsees joining Volunteer corps. They are a thoroughly loyal race, and their interests being identical with those of the European, with whom in time of emergency they would throw in their lot, the British Government can securely rely on their support. It is just such men as Mr. Kothari that a Volunteer corps needs for officers. This gentleman has already served in the corps for a year as a private soldier, having made himself in that time thoroughly efficient and having gained the complete confidence of the corps. His social standing, the experience he has gained of men and matters in his travels, and the general esteem in which he is held by all classes of the community, make him a valuable addition to the commissioned ranks, and Mr. Kothari may well be proud of the distinction he has gained in being the first Parsee gentleman who has obtained a commission in a mixed corps of Volunteers in India. We congratulate alike the corps and Mr. Kothari on his election, and we feel convinced that his promotion will be certain and rapid.—"Sind Gazette."

THE DISTURBANCE AT RIPON ROAD—Before Mr. P. H. Dastur, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, at the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Abdul Magroob and seven other Mahomedan jooiais (weavers) were again charged by Superintendent Nolan with rioting and being members of an unlawful assembly at Kala Pani, Ripon Road. Mr. Little, the Government solicitor, conducted the case for the prosecution, while the accused were defended by Mr. Kazi Kabrudin, barrister-at-law, and Mr. Velinker, pleader. At the previous hearing of the case, the Government solicitor stated that from the evidence he had read he was of opinion that the serious charges preferred against the accused could not be mentioned, but that he considered that the accused should be charged with disorderly behaviour in a public place. Mr. Little suggested that if the accused pleaded guilty to the altered charge, they might be bound over in a certain sum to keep the peace for a period of six months. The court thereupon asked the advocates for the accused whether they pleaded guilty to the charge, as suggested by Mr. Little, on behalf of their clients. They replied that they would think over the matter, and the case was adjourned. On the case being called on again yesterday, the accused pleaded guilty to the charge of disorderly behaviour. His Worship thereupon ordered accused to be bound over in a sum of Rs 50 each to keep the peace for a period of six months.

THE DISAPPEARANCE OF A YOUNG WOMAN.—The following letter on this subject has been sent to us:—Sir,—Kindly allow me to contradict through the medium of your columns a statement made in your issue of Thursday last in connection with an article, headed "The disappearance of a young woman." Winnifred Brown, my daughter, gave me, my wife, all our children, and our neighbours, and also some relatives that were staying with me for a few days, to understand that, through the influence of a gentleman residing at Igatpuri, she had obtained a situation as a Mrs. Roughton's on Malabar Hill, Bombay, and that she had to be in Bombay on the morning of the 30th ultimo to start work. She left the station on the night of the 29th ultimo, at 22-10. I saw her off by train myself. She further said that Mrs. Roughton had written to the gentleman referred to above, saying that Winnifred must be sure to leave Igatpuri by the 22-10 train, on the 29th, as Mrs. Roughton would be on the Victoria station on the morning of the 30th to meet her. What induced my daughter to deceive us all so grossly, I am at a loss to understand. I further beg to state that my daughter has not been asked to seek employment by me, neither by my wife, who was away in Aden for seven weeks, and I am totally at a loss to know what has been her motive in saying that her parents have sent her adrift to earn her own livelihood in Bombay, as the statement is a tissue of falsehood. In conclusion, I beg to add that my daughter, Winnifred's age is seventeen, and not nineteen, and my family at home consists of seven children, and not thirteen as stated. I shall feel much obliged if you will kindly give publicity to these few lines.—(Sd.) W. A. Brown, Igatpuri Station, 2nd June. On Thursday morning, on the Mazagon station, by Mr. Chart, and was taken back to the Home.

HIGH COURT.—CROWN SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE FULTON.)

THE JEWISH ABDUCTION CASE.

IN THE MATTER OF SAILA, WIFE OF AARON ABRAHAM COHEN.

THIS was the argument for a rule "nisi" requiring Allarakhia Machliwalla and the Kazi of the Islam Church in Bhendy Bazar to show cause why they should not produce the body of Saila, a Jewess, said to be a minor, and her daughter, alleged to be illegally detained by the applicant and why they should not be delivered over to the petitioner. Mr. Russell and Mr. Jehangir Pestonjee, instructed by Mr. M. H. Khan, appeared for the petitioner; and Mr. Macpherson and Mr. Davar, instructed by Messrs. Dikshit and Dhunjibhah, appeared for the two respondents.

The petitioner stated that, on the 23rd November 1893, he was lawfully married to Saila according to the Jewish customs and usages, and she was now sixteen years old. After his marriage, the petitioner lived with his wife in a house in Bellasis Road, and the issue of the marriage was one daughter. On the 14th April last, petitioner and his wife went to live in the house of his father-in-law. Two days later petitioner found that his wife and child were missing, and on making enquiries he learnt that his wife was enticed away for immoral purposes and was unlawfully detained by Allarakhia Machliwalla, who, in order to prevent petitioner from recovering his wife and child, had removed them to the house of the Kazi of the Islam Church in Bhendy Bazar for the purpose of showing that she had embraced the Islam faith. Petitioner and two others went to the house, but they were not allowed access thereto. Petitioner prayed that Allarakhia Machliwalla and the Kazi do bring his wife and minor daughter in court, and that they be ordered to be delivered over to him.

Rebecca, wife of Simon Solomon and mother of Saila, said in her affidavit that, about 11 o'clock in the forenoon of the 16th April last, Allarakhia, who was the first respondent, came to her house and enticed her daughter Saila to go away with him. She saw them both leave the house, enter a victoria, and drive away with the conveyance called an ekka. She warned them, but the victoria went off. She was alone at the time, and could not take any steps at once.

Abraham Sargon, a Jewish priest, said in his affidavit that, on the 25th May last, he went to see the respondent Allarakhia at his house at Null Bazar for the purpose of inducing him to give up Saila to her husband. Allarakhia told him to go and see the Kazi of the Islam Church. He next went to the house of the Kazi at his private residence in Bhisti Moholla, and there he saw Saila, whom he spoke to her in Malabari with the permission of the Kazi. She told him that she was prevented from going away and was willing to come with him, and she asked the Kazi to let her go, but the Kazi required the petitioner to apply to him. Saila told Sargon first to leave the premises. Saila was well guarded at the time and was under the control of two women.

The respondent Allarakhia Abu Patel, in his affidavit, denied the correctness of the allegations made on the other side. He denied that Saila was ever living under his protection, and said that he did not know her whereabouts. As to the age of Saila he said that no evidence was produced before the magistrate, and the petitioner's statement was false and fabricated. When Saila was admitted into the Bai Motlibai Hospital for treatment in October 1895, her age was then given by her father as 20 years

Hakim Gulam Mohidin, the second respondent, denied the allegations made by petitioner in the affidavits on the other side. He denied that he had detained Saila, or was helping the first respondent in detaining her. He did not know her whereabouts. He denied that he was a man of bad character, or that the Church of Islam is a den of vice and oppression. It was founded by several highly respectable members of the Mahomedan community for the purpose of affording shelter to the poor and the needy, and imparting religious instruction as he might need it. Saila left the Church of Islam on the 12th May last, and since then the deponent had no knowledge whatever of her whereabouts. On the 16th April last, Saila came to the Church of Islam with her father daughter, and told deponent, who spoke to the Kazi and honorary secretary of the Church of Islam, that she wished to embrace Mahomedanism with her daughter. He put her several questions, and when he was satisfied that she of her own free will wished to embrace Mahomedanism, and that she was an adult, he performed the necessary ceremonies in the presence of five witnesses, and converted her and her child to Mahomedanism. He also made the necessary entries in the register kept by the Church, and at the foot thereof Saila set her signature, and the witnesses made their attestations. Saila, in answer to his enquiries, told him that her age was 22 years, and that of her child 7 months. Saila remained in the church of her own free will for about 26 or 27 days, and he allowed the females therein, as under the rules of the church, every convert to Mahomedanism was entitled to be boarded and lodged free in the church for a period not exceeding one month. Deponent was ignorant of her whereabouts since the time she left the church.

Several other affidavits were used. Saila herself was produced, and when in the witness-box, she told the court that she did not wish to go and live with her husband or her parents, and that she wished to be left free.

Under the circumstances, his lordship said he could not order her to be delivered over to her husband. It was not proved that she was a minor, and she was allowed to go where she pleased. The rule was discharged; and the parties left the court.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—JUNE 11.

Harrison, Lt. Bo, Coast Dept, on duty, from Poona.
Holman, Lt. Punjab, 18th B C, on leave, from Sitpura.
Wynter, Lt, Ms, R A, on leave, from Trimulgherry.
Hutchinson, Capt, Ms, R A, on leave, from Trimulgherry.
Garnett, Major, Ms, 1st E Yorks Regt, on leave, from Belgaum.

JUNE 12.

Pryce, Lt-Col, Ms, 9th M I, on leave, from Bellary.
Sippings, Lt-Col, Bo, 2nd K O York L I, on leave, from Nasirabad.
Aines, Lt, Punjab, 8th P I, to join, from Trichoor.

DEPARTURES.—JUNE 12.

Austin, Lt, Punjab, R E, on leave, to England.
Cruishank, Lt, Punjab, R A, on leave, to England.
Miller, Surgeon-Lt-Col, Punjab, A M S, on leave, to England.
Holman, Lt, Punjab, 16th B C, on leave, to England.
Owens, Capt, Bengal, The Royal Irish on leave, to England.
French, Lt., Bengal, Art Staff, on leave, to England.
Cartwright, Capt, 6th Bo C, on leave, to Poona.
Allen, Major, Ms, Staff Regt, on leave, to England.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDER BY CAPTAIN W. G. WILSON, COMMANDING R. V. A.

Bombay, 13th June, 1896.

1. The following member having resigned is struck off the strength of the Corps from the 9th inst.:—Gr. E. C. Morecroft.

By Order,
L. J. ROBERTSON, 2nd Lieut.,
Actg. Adjutant, B. V. A.

CALENDAR.—JUNE 1896.

First Quarter ..... June 18th, 4h. 32·0m. p.m.
Full Moon ..... " 25th, 11h, 46·2m. a.m.

Sat. 13.—Sunrise 5-23 a.m.; Sunset, 6-37 p.m.; High water 0-7m., 1-6a.; Low water 6-4m., 7-12a.
Sun. 14.—2nd Sunday after Trinity.—Fr. and O. s. s. Ganges, with English Mails of 29th ult., due to arrive at 10 a.m.—Sunrise 5-23 a.m.; Sunset 6-37 p.m.; High water 0-51m., 1-15a.; Low water 6-41m., 7-51a.
Mon. 15.—Y. M. C. A. Meeting, Bible Reader, Prayer meeting, 5-45 p.m.—Municipal Corporporation 3 p.m.—Southern India S. and W. Co., meeting, 3 p.m.—Berar Manufacturing Co., meeting, 3-30 p.m.; Sunrise 5-23 a.m.; Sunset 6-38 p.m.; High water 1-36m., 2-26a.; Low water 7-25m., 8-32a.
Tues. 16.—Sunrise 5-23 a.m.; Sunset 6-38 p.m.; High water 2-22m., 3-9a.; Low water 8-8m., 9-10a.
Wed. 17.—Municipal Standing Committee, 3 p.m.—Sunrise 5-23 a.m.; Sunset 6-38 p.m.; High water 3-2m., 3-54a.; Low water 9-0m., 10-14a.
Thur. 18.—Sunrise 5-23 a.m.; Sunset 6-38 p.m.; High water 4-25m., 4-41a.; Low water 9-58m., 11-16a.
Fri. 19.—Departure of English Mail per s. s. Ganges—Sunrise 5-24 a.m.; Sunset 6-38 p.m.; High water 5-31m., 5-3a.; Low water 11-9m.

UNDELIVERED TELEGRAMS.

THE following is a list of messages remaining undelivered in the Central Telegraph Office, Bombay, during the week ending 11th June:—

Station from	Address in full as received.
Trieste	Volkart.
Ahmedabad Camp.	Mrs. Stevens, passenger by mail s. s. Peninsular.
Mahableshwar	Framjee Dorabjee, Esq.
Oodeypore	Ameerbux, Victoria Terminus.
Paurigarhwal	Seth Kharsal Adalsar Baria Brel, Park Field.

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HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice STRACHEY, and the Hon. Mr. Justice FULTON.)

BRUTAL MURDER OF A GIRL.

IMPERATRIX VS. MAHADU WALAD VITHOBA.

THIS was an appeal against the decision of Mr. C. H. Jopp, Sessions Judge of Nasik, who convicted the accused of murder and sentenced him to death on the 6th May last. Mr. Branson, with Mr. Vinayek Ranade, appeared for the accused, Rao Saheb V. J. Kirtikar, Government Pleader, representing the Crown.

It appeared that on the 24th January last, Baki, a girl of ten or eleven years of age, disappeared, and her body was found in a well in the fields of Jopul on the following morning. The state of the body showed that some man had committed an indecent assault, and that she had died from dislocation of the neck or from suffocation. The accused made two confessional statements, one to the Third Class Magistrate on the 28th January, and one to Mr. Thatte, the Committing Magistrate, on the 31st of that month. In these statements he admitted that he took Baki into the sugarcane field, and had intercourse with her, and that when she cried out he gagged her with her "ingadi," that she died, that he took off the ornaments from her body and buried them under the milk bush hedge, and that he threw Baki's body into the well. In his statement to Mr. Thatte, accused admitted that he killed Baki on purpose in order to prevent her telling the village that she had been ravished. As the crime was particularly a brutal one, the Sessions Judge sentenced accused to death subject to confirmation by the High Court.

Mr. Justice Strachey after hearing the arguments of Counsel, delivered judgment of the court as follows. He said:—This is an appeal by Mahadu Valad Vithoba from a conviction and capital sentence for the murder and rape of Baki, a girl of 10 or 11 years of age, on the 24th of January. The evidence against the appellant consists of (1) two confessions, the first made to a third class magistrate on the 20th and the second to the committing magistrate on the 31st January. These confessions were retracted by the appellant in the Court of Session. (2) Evidence that, on the morning of the 27th January, the appellant, in the presence of three police officers and two other witnesses, produced ornaments which Gangu, the mother of Baki, identified as those worn by her daughter on the 24th. (3) Evidence that, on the morning of the 24th Baki was sent by her mother to the appellant's Gurhala to ask for fodder; that Baki, accompanied by another girl Siti, went to the Gurhala, and that the appellant told her that he could not give her fodder but would give to gram; that the appellant and Baki then went together to a sugarcane field belonging to the former; that Baki was not again seen alive; and that next morning her body was found in a well at some distance from the sugarcane field, bearing unmistakable marks of rape and of murder by suffocation or by dislocation of the neck. The assessors, differing from the Sessions Judge, held that the offences of murder and rape were not proved against the appellant. If the confessions can be relied on, they can leave no doubt that the appellant has been properly convicted of both offences. Both before the Court of Session and before us it has been contended that they are the results of police pressure and ill-treatment. Mr. Branson, who appeared for the appellant, contended that the first and more detailed confession was in various particulars inconsistent with the rest of the evidence for the Crown in a way which suggested that it was not true. He also argued that other parts of the evidence strongly suggested the influence that the police had put pressure both upon the appellant and upon the witnesses, and that they had done this at the instigation of the Mahomedan. We do not think, however, that any sufficient reason has been made out for discrediting the confessions. The first confession is an extremely detailed account of the girl's arrival at the Gurhala, the rape and murder in the sugarcane field, the removal of the ornaments, the disposal of the body, the pointing out of the place in the sugarcane field to the chief constable and the Panch, the pointing out of the ornaments and the well where the body was thrown, and other circumstances. It is not read like a concocted story or one which the appellant was tutored to tell the magistrate; and the appellant said at the time that nobody had tutored or threatened him. No greater part of the confession consists of answers given by the appellant to questions called by the magistrate, and which the police, if they had tutored him, could not possibly have anticipated and prepared him to meet. If these answers were not true, the only alternatives are either that the police so well guessed what the magistrate was going to ask that they were able to provide the appellant with plausible answers, or else that he showed an extraordinary degree of presence of mind, readiness, and ingenuity in venturing on the spot on the moment's answers which he knew might be fatal to him. It appears to us to be a more reasonable conclusion that the statement was true and was not the result of tutoring. In the second confession, before the committing magistrate on the 31st January, the appellant confirmed his first confession, and added that he murdered Baki "because she would disclose the ravishment to the villagers." In the Court of Session the appellant alleged that the police, on the 26th January, burnt his hand and wounded him in the foot with a bayonet-cover. He was brought to the jail on the 31st January, after he had been committed for trial, and he was then out of the reach of the police during the time of his arrest and could have had no opportunity of inflicting injuries that they had inflicted on him. It is, however, obvious from the evidence of the Civil Surgeon, Dr. Lowdell, to whom he was sent for examination on the morning of the 1st February, and from the register, Ex. 39, that he did not make any complain of any injury or show the marks of any. Such injuries as burning in the hand or a wound in the foot from a bayonet-cover if inflicted on the 26th January, would be perf

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THE Messageries Maritimes Co's s s Alphee, 998 tons, Captain Edans, cleared yesterday for the Persian Gulf, with a general cargo and Mr Issaverdens and 20 deck passengers.

THE s s Kurdistan, 1,939 tons, Captain H Whitlock, sailed yesterday for London and Hamburg, with a general cargo, and the following passengers:—Mr Meyers, Mr Edwards, Mr Mrs and Miss Medcalf and two children.

THE BISN Co's s s Dwarka, 759 tons, Captain J C Tice, arrived in harbour yesterday from Karachi (10th June), with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mr and Mrs Wimberly, Mr and Mrs Hodgkins, and child, Mr and Mrs Martyr, Mr Summers and 70 deck.

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PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shd	Vessels.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.*	Agent.
B	Munificent	2090	Duddey			M M & Co
D	Courland	760	Adam	Natal	13-6	Dada Abdoola
H	& J H M S Magician					
	and Tennascrim		Goodridge	R N		Royal Navy
L	Mahanadi	947	Adam			Shepherd & Co
M	Sabarmati	924	Ahmed			Do.
N	Phœnix	1732	Pasley	Dunkirk		J M & Co
O	Don of Airlie	2275	Singer		15-6	W & A Graham
P	Alphee	998	Ximnis	P Gulf	13-6	M Maritimes & Co

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Kalinadi	85	Cassum	Shepherd & Co
Brahmani	524	Budroo	Mangalore 13-6 Do.
Ponani	502	Fakeera	Bhownugger 13-6 Do.

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shd.	Vessels.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
2	Syme	4232	Aubert	Marseilles	13-6	D Ballon
3	V Florio	1852	Ansaldo	Genoa	2-6	F Crocco
4	Clan Alpine	1348	Farney			F Muir & Co
5	Peninsular	3017	Symons	London	20-6	P & O Co
9	Kt. St. George	2,99	Bevis	Genoa		K Nixon & Co
12	Merhley Hall	2235	McQuarrie			E Bates & Co
14	Dumra	784	Russell	London	13-6	M M & Co

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ARRIVALS.

June.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
12	M. Bacqueham (s).	Grisogono	Trieste, May 21.
	Dwarka (s)	Tice	Karachi, June 10.

DEPARTURES.

June.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
12	Dido (s)	Watson	Hull via Karachi.
	Setos (s)	Jacobs	Zanzibar, &c.
	Stanley Hall (s)	Black	Liverpool.
	Madura (s)	Thurston	Calcutta.
	Chupra (s)	Hill	Rangoon, &c.
	Kurdistan (s)	Whitlock	London & Hamburg.
	Shaanon (s)	Crowe	London.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—
Steamer Sydney, Aubert, for Marseilles.
" Nevasa, Houstoun, for Calcutta, &c.
" Alphee, Etienne, for Persian Gulf.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday:—
Steamer Pemba, for Persian Gulf.
" Sydney, for Marseilles, &c.

VESSELS IN BOMBAY HARBOUR.
Peninsular s, 3048, Seymour.
Kurdistan s, 1929, Whitlock.
Clan of Airlie s, 2275, Singer.
Phœnix s, 1732, Pasley.
Iran s, 4098, Hughes.
Rheinfels s, 2184, Wilkins.
Vincenzo Florio s, 1852, Ansaldo.
Kt of St George s 2999, Bevis.
Ravenna s, 2046, Stre t
Strathness s, 2365, Dundin.
North Sands s, 2253, Dickson.
Alphee s, 998, Etienne.
Courland s, 760, Milne.
Merhley Hall s, 2182, McQuarrie.
Clan Alpine s, 1349, Forney.
Astrakhan s, 2236 Evans.
Baron Balhaven s, 1482, Abbott.
Beatrice s, 1462, Leslie.
Eden Hall s, 2334, Black.
Matin s, 2433, Archer.
Munificent s, 2090, Dudley.
Werneth Hall s, 2310, Candy.
Lady Armstrong s, Abbott.

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Goodridge.
R I M S Elphinstone, Mc Arthur.
R. I. M. S. Investigator, Oldham.
R. I. M. S. Nancowry Beauchamp.

CALCUTTA.
ARRIVALS.
June.
9 City of Vienna s ..Thoms .....Liverpool, May 11.
Nerbudda s.....Lovell.....Singapore.
Catherine Apcar s..Olifent.....Hongkong, May 21.
DEPARTURE.
June 9.—Steamer Ethiopia.

MADRAS.
ARRIVALS.
June.
10 Palitana s..... ..... Negapatam.
Korbela s..... ..... Rangoon.
DEPARTURE.
June.
9 Nairung s .... Calcutta.

DAILY IMPORTS.—JUNE 12.
FROM LIVERPOOL.
Merhley Hall s—8 cases soap, A Surifally Ally; 210 boxes bar soap, A Shaikadum.
FROM LONDON.
Munificent s—7 cases medicine, W Narotumdas and Co; 7 cases medicine, V Nuthoo and Co; 15 cases provisions and 3 cases paper, M Keekabhoy; 100 cases disinfecting fluid and 2 cases medicine, Philips and Co; 29 barrels soft soap, 25 Tyrejee and Co; 10 cases gin, Phipson and Co; 170 cases oilmenstores, D Dadabhoy; 83 cases oilmenstores, provision, &c, B Nazerally.
Oriental s—1 cases liqueurs, and 1 case champagne, Craft Mody and Co.
Peninsular s—95 cases portwine, Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee; 22 cases hams, bacon, and cheese, D Dadabhoy; 66 cases provisions, &c, Philips and Co; 57 cases ale, D Cowasjee; 51 cases oilmenstores, &c, E Nusserwanjee.
FROM HULL.
Dido s—21 cases writing papers, M A M Shurrafally.
FROM CHARENTE.
Eden Hall s—10 cases brandy, Jehangirjee Cooverjee Gheewala.
Carthage s—15 cases brandy, Eduljee Bozonjee.
FROM HAMBURG.
Bangalore s—2 hogsheads rectified spirit, Dhunjeebhoy Cawasjee.
Rheinfels s—5 cases glassware, Reier and Katz.
FROM ANTWERP.
Rheinfels s—63 cases window glass, A Ebramjee; 6 cases perfumed spirit, B Gopaljee and Co; 85 cases candles, Dhunjeebhoy Cawasjee.
FROM NEW YORK.
Persia s—35 boxes clocks, Droz and Amstutz.

DAILY EXPORTS.—JUNE 12.
FOR LONDON.
Den of Airlie s—40 cwt door horns, V Gangjee; 87 cwt gum, Khatow Dather; 125 cwt deer horns, H Ramall; 26 bales skins, W and A Graham and Co; 15 bales skins, M Cassombhoy and Co.
FOR MARSEILLES.
Kt of St George s—3,099 cwt ground nuts, Ralli Brothers.
FOR DUNKIRK.
Phœnix s—2,000 cwt rapeseed, David Sasson and Co.
FOR GENOA.
Den of Airlie s—1,001 cwt linseed, 2,008 cwt rapeseed, and 2,969 cwt teaseed, Ralli Brothers.
V Florio s—50 tons cut iron, Klika Ironfoundry; 13 tons old iron, Essajee Tajbhoy; 1,997 cwt teaseed, Ralli Brothers.
FOR LEGHORN.
V Florio s—3,012 cwt linseed, Ralli Brothers.
FOR HONGKONG.
Ravenna s—100 bales twist, R S Woonwalla and Co; 84 bales twist, J F Talati; 73 bales twist, M Byramjee; 50 bales twist, Silas E Sassoon.
FOR SHANGHAI.
Ravenna s—500 bales twist, Sorabjee N Talati and Co; 400 bales twist, R Canjee and Co; 50 bales twist, Killick Nixon and Co; 600 bales twist, E Nocrdin and Co; 100 bales twist, A C Abdoollyoo; 200 bales twist, N Vaubhadas; 225 bales twist, Silas E Sassoon; 50 bales twist, Yan Shun and Co; 900 bales twist, Sassoon J Sassoon and Co.

HIGH COURT.—JUNE 11.
(Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice FULTON.)
Pauper Petitions for Judgment.
15-96—In person—Poonbai vs Hurbai alias Vejbai—Crawford B and Co.
1-96—In person—Eduljee Cawasjee Behea vs Limjeebhoy Eduljee Mithaiwalla.
For dismissal under Rule 64.
133-96—Hiralal and M—Charles Agnew Turner vs Doongersee Laljee.
215-96—Nanu and H—Nusserwanjee Rustomjee Chokse vs Framjee Hoosangjee Kharas and others—Chalk W and S.
282-96—H J R Hemming—Jenabai and another vs Gulam Hussein Samjee Parpia and another—Payne G and S.
295-95—Mithai and J—Mohanlal Bicardas vs Jamasjee Ratanjee Mistry.
Suits for Hearing and Final Disposal.
Defended New Long Causes.
19-96—Framjee M and M—Abdool Jalila bin Ebrahim vs The British India Steam Navigation Company Ld—Craigie L and O.
25-95—M H Khan—Namoobai vs Mukund Moroba and others —In person.
32 96—Hiralal M and M—Motilal Hargovandas vs Narsoo Dharmji and another—In person.
49-96—Hiralal M and M—Haridas Narondas vs Adhibai and another—J C Cama.
52-96—Crawford B and H—Bai Luxumibai and another vs Charles Agnew Turner and others—M L Shroff, Dadhtary and F, and Khunderao and S—In person.
73-96—Framjee and M—Anantrao Hari Trimbak vs Chaya bin Shimga Nackma—In person.
145-96—Ardeshir H and D—Bhimjeebhoy Sajan and others vs Mahomedbhoy Dawraj and others—H J R Hemming.
605-95—M H Khan—Mugoomall Mowaram and another vs Shewandas Nawmull and others—Heeralal and M.
606-95—M H Khan—Gungaram Trioudas vs Shewundas Nowmull and others Hiralal and M.
4-96—Dadhtary and F—Cullianjee Khimjee Jairam vs Wagjee Korjee and others—Little and Co Roughton and Co.
10-96—Roughton and B—The Austrian Lloyds Steam Navigation Co vs C A Turner and others Hiralal and M, Craigie L and O.
79-96—Khunderao and S—Shandas Guru Goviadas vs Handlidas Guru Govindas—In person.
81-96—Dikshit and H—Mahadeo Narayen Patankar vs Ramchandra Balwant sathe—K J Mantri.
103-96—Chalk W and S—Khunderao Ravjee vs Laxuman Raojee and others—Inperson.
105-96—S H Powalla (a pauper)—Aboo Miya bin Rahmatoola vs Ahmed Sha bin Chatkisha and another Little and Co.
Postponed Long Cause.
436-94—Chitnis M and M—Choonilal Chotalal and another vs Bhukandas Bhagtidas and another—Tyabjee D and Co.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. TYEBJEE.)
Petition for Hearing.
F A Little (for Government)—In the matter of the Land Acquisition Act I of 1894 and Government and Govordhundas Khimjee—Craigie L and O and Crawford B, and Co—Part heard.
For Hearing Exception on Commissioner's Report.
877-70—Crawford B and Co, J C Cama, and J Dorabjee—Mithibai vs L N Banaji and others—Anderbit H and D, Craigie L and O, and Roughton and B.
For Further Directions and Costs on Commissioner's Report.
255-95—Thakordas D and C—Abdoola Hajee Dawood vs Rawjee Balajee—Janardhan and A.
Postponed Long Causes.
106-95—J Peace—Balkrishna Shiv Shanker vs Khoja Mahomed Medi Tharia Topan—Tyabji and Co.
614-94—Wadia and G—Chundoojee Khooshaljee and others vs Poomatchand Keshanjee and others—M L Shroff.
38-95—M L Shroff—Panamchand Krishnajee and others vs Chandoojee Khooshaljee and others—Wadia and G.
529-95—Thakurdas D and C—Bhaskambhoy Lalbhabhai Chotoe vs Gangjibhoy Mowjee—Payne G and S.
197-93—Mudjee and R—Laxmibai vs Jamnabai—Bhalshanker and K.
For Hearing Exceptions on Commissioners Report.
326-95—Little, N and B—Jugmohandas Vandrawandas and another vs Hajee Soolemun Hajee Soomar—Payne G and S.
29-95—Payne, G and S—Nusserwanjee Rowrjee vs Vaziebbi —Khunderao and S.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 12.

A DECLINE of 1-16 per cent. reduced the price of Consols in London yesterday to 113; and Indian Sterling was quoted ¼ per cent. lower at 120½; Rupee Securities, 3½ per cent., were 1-8 higher at £63 15-16. The Exchange Banks' buying rate on India was 1s. 1 7-8d., or 1-8d. lower than the former quotation. French Rentes were unchanged at 101½; and Paris Exchange on London declined ¼ centime to 25·17 fcs. Bar silver was unaltered at 31 5-16d. per oz; and in New York the metal was also unchanged at 68½ cents per oz., with Exchange on London still at 4·88½ dollars. Extra allotments of Council Bills were made in London yesterday to the extent of one lakh on Bombay, and half-a-lakh on Calcutta, at 1s. 2 1-32d., being an advance of 1-32d. on last Wednesday's regular allotments.

The weekly Returns of the Bank of England issued in London yesterday showed the Bank's Reserve to be 60 per cent. of the Liabilities, which is an increase of one per cent. on that of last week.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed easier in tone yesterday, Surats and Arrivals steady. The day's sales were 14,000 bales, of which 200 were Surats. Spot prices were in general unchanged, and Arrivals were 3-64.d to 1-16d. lower, extreme quotations being 3 47-64d. for June deliveries, and 3 19-32d. for October-November. The Manchester market closed quiet but steady.

In New York the price of Ready Mid.-Uplands remained at 7 7-16; but September Futures were 4 points higher at 6·64 cents, and December 2 points higher at 6·63 cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 2,000 bales.

Below we annex our usual comparative statement of the Imports of Piece-Goods to the end of last month, which shows a decrease of some 6 million yards in the missions of *Plain Cottons* to this Presidency during last month as compared with those in the month before, and an increase in the same direction of 16 million yards over those for the same period last year; in *Colored Cottons* a falling off of 1 million, and an addition of 1¼ million yards, in the same two comparisons, respectively; and in *Printed Cottons* a decrease of 1 million, and an increase of 3 million yards. In *Twist* the falling off last month from the previous month was 600,000 and 50,000 compared with last year. For the five complete monthsthis year there has been an increase of some 52½ million yards over last year in *Plain Cottons* of some 9 million yards in *Colored*, and of about 16½ millions in *Printed*; while in Twist there has been a falling off of 300,000 in the same comparison. The missions to the other Presidencies show a general increase as compared with last year:—

Bombay—	May. 1896.	Apr. 1896.	May. 1895.
Plain Cottons... yds.	39,109,000	45,150,000	23,000,000
Coloured do. ... ,,	4,300,000	5,450,000	3,050,000
Printed do. ... ,,	8,350,000	9,450,000	5,350,000
Twist ..... lbs.	850,000	1,450,000	900,000
Calcutta—			
Plain Cottons... yds.	78,800,000	93,000,000	71,150,000
Coloured do. ... ,,	5,500,000	5,500,000	3,950,000
Printed do. ... ,,	4,400,000	6,200,000	2,750,000
Twist ..... lbs.	1,000,000	1,350,000	1,400,000
Madras—			
Plain Cottons... yds.	3,900,000	3,450,000	7,350,000
Coloured do. ... ,,	1,100,000	650,000	1,050,000
Printed do. ... ,,	1,800,000	1,000,000	1,650,000
Twist ..... lbs.	1,600,000	1,100,000	600,000

Bombay only for 5 months—	1896.	1895.
Plain Cottons ..... yds.	233,500,000	189,750,000
Coloured do. ..... ,,	24,250,000	15,050,000
Printed do. ..... ,,	45,300,000	28,800,000
Twist ..... lbs.	4,800,000	5,150,000

Our local Cotton market has been quiet to-day with only a small business passing at former rates. Exporters purchased 200 bales Bhownugger at Rs. 180, and 100 each of Miraj Ginned and Compta at Rs. 187 and Rs. 134, respectively; while the Mills took 100 each of Bengal, Branpore, Malkapore, Morbi, and Miraj, at Rs. 150, Rs. 170, Rs. 166, Rs. 160½, and Rs. 165, respectively, also 150 Bhosawal at Rs. 155½ per candy.

WHEAT.—The market has been quiet with but a small enquiry, and prices were unchanged,

SEEDS have been in moderate request in a steady market. *Linseed* is 4 anna higher, being quoted at Rs. 6-14-0 to Rs. 7-0-0 per cwt.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday, were as follows:—

Cotton	2,346 bales.
Wheat	3,703 cwts.
Linseed	13,708 ,,
Rapeseed	3,851 ,,
Poppyseed	1,993 ,,
Groundnuts	632 ,,
Castorseed	2,892 ,,
Rice	689 ,,

FREIGHTS.—There has been no fresh business to speak of reported to-day.

EXCHANGE.—The market opened steady at 1s. 2d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 2 3-32d. for three months' sight Credits. There was scarcely any business reported, and rates closed steady as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand.....1s. 2d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic .....1s. 2d.	,,
Do. 3 months' sight.....1s. 2 1-32d.	,,
Credits do. .....1s. 2 3-32d.	,,
Francs do. .....1'48½	,,

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—The tone of the market has been strong to-day, and quotations, which opened at 110¼ for Money and 110 7-16 for Account, partially advanced 1-16 per cent., having closed at 110 9-16 and 110 7-16 in the two positions, respectively.

SHARES have been a quiet market, and the changes as per our revised list have been almost exclusively in sellers' favour.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.
LONDON, JUNE 11.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed easier. Surats steady.
Good Dholleras 2 1-8
The Manchester market has been quiet but steady.
2½ per cent. Consols 113
3 per cent. Rentes 101⅔
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan..... 120½
3½ per cent. Rupee Paper 93 15-16
Bar Silver 31 5-16

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday, show the following results:—Total Bullion, £48,390,000; increase, £350,000; Public Deposits, £14,100,000; decrease, £300,000; Other Deposits, £30,500,000; increase, £200,000; Other Securities, £28,500,000; decrease, £100,000; Notes and Gold, £38,090,000; increase, £300,000. The Bank's Reserve is 60 per cent. of the Liabilities.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.
PORTSAID, JUNE 11.
The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Manora left here this afternoon.
HONGKONG, JUNE 12.
The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Peshawar arrived here this morning.
The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Br

TELEGRAMS.

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RELEASE OF THE REFORM LEADERS.

PRETORIA, JUNE 11.

Colonel Rhodes and the other Reform leaders have been released on payment of a fine of twenty-five thousand poun ls each and their undertaking to abstain from politics in future under pain of banishment.

COLONEL RHODES BANISHED.

LONDON, JUNE 12.

Colonel Rhodes has refused to undertake to abstain from Transvaal politics, and has therefore been banished.

THE TRIAL OF DR. JAMESON.

LONDON, JUNE 11.

The trial of Dr. Jameson and his officers was resumed, at Bow Street, to-day. The evidence was continued, and showed that the raid had been long in preparation.

ARBITRATION IN INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES.

The Commercial Congress of the Empire has passed a Resolution in favour of arbitration in international disputes.

THE PERSIAN SUCCESSION.

JUNE 12.

Muhamed Ali, the eldest son of the Shah, has been proclaimed Heir-Apparent.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION IN AMERICA.

NEW YORK, JUNE 12.

Several Democratic State Conventions have declared in favour of a Golds tandard, and there is a strong feeling among American business men in the same direction.

THE MAILS.

SUEZ, JUNE 11.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Thames, with the outward mails of the 5th instant, left here, at 7 p.m., to-day.

SIR JAMES BROWNE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JUNE 12.

Sir James Browne was slightly better this evening.

THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S TOUR.

The Commander-in-Chief's ensuing tour will include Upper and Lower Burma, and probably Assam and some cantonments in the Punjab.

THE SOUTH LUSHAI HILLS.

A Regulation is published removing the South Lushai Hills from operations of enactments in the force therein.

THE IMPERIAL SERVICE TROOPS.

The Imperial Service Troops, who recently offered their services, have been thanked by the Government for their loyalty and willingness to assist Her Majesty's troops in foreign parts.

GAZETTE OF INDIA NOTIFICATIONS.

Colonel W. Black is appointed Assistant Adjutant-General, vice Colonel Creagh.

Brigade-Surgeon Seaman is posted as Principal Medical Officer, Malakand Brigade.

Lieutenant the Honorable R. Montmorency is appointed Extra Aide-de-Camp to H. E. the Viceroy.

Admissions to the Staff Corps—J. Griffith, C. Keyes, and H. Lyndal.

Captains W. Phillips and F. Wylie are granted the temporary rank of Major.

Colonel E. Armstrong Bruce is granted Good Service Pension.

Mr. C. Jopp, C.S., is placed temporarily on Foreign Office duty.

Mr. R. Graves is permitted to retire from the Civil Service.

Mr. J. Brown, Executive Engineer, officiates as Engineer-in-Chief.

Mr. Ronaldson officiates as Superintendent, Paper Currency Office, vice Grant.

Mr. A. Pope is appointed Traffic Superintendent. Mr. W. Chamberlain will officiate as Traffic Superintendent.

Mr. W. Curry is appointed Examiner of Accounts, Mandalay-Kunlon Railway.

Mr. J. Pigot, Assistant Inspector-General, of Forests, is granted seventeen months' furlough.

Major Jennings officiates as Political Agent, Alwar.

The undermentioned Colonels are admitted to Colonel's allowances :—Colonels K. MacKenzie, J. Macdougall, G. Trevor, M. Bowie, Carpentale, Morse, Hatchell, and Grove.

Foreign Department (Accounts Branch)—Mr. A. Kensington is appointed Accountant-General, North-West Provinces ; and Mr. W. Williamson, Assistant Accountant-General, Madras.

Various formal changes have been gazetted in the Graded List.

The leave rules recently made public in connection with the Engineering Establishment of the Public Works Department, are officially gazetted.

Certain amendments are published relating to the holding of Government Notes by private persons. The new draft will be taken into consideration on or after the 13th August.

A Resolution is published by the Finance Department under orders contained in the late Secretary of State's Despatch establishing the system under which various officers to whom Indian Service's leave rules are applicable during the earlier part of the service pass at a later stage under the European service's leave rules. It has now been deemed necessary in connection with the above to present the manner in which, when they pass under the European Service's rules, circulation of leave earned by them and due to them is to be made. Full instructions are published.

H. E. LORD SANDHURST.

POONA, JUNE 12.

His Excellency Lord Sandhurst, accompanied by Mr. Henton, Private Secretary, Major Owen, Military Secretary, Dr. Martin, and Captains Henegage and Berkley Levett, Aid-de-Camps, arrived, this evening, from Mahableshwar. A few officials were present on the platform to witness the arrival of his Excellency. Amongst those present were : Sir Charles Ollivant, Chief Secretary to Government ; Mr. Ommanney, Collector ; and Captains Gower and Duncan. His Excellency shook hands with those present, and drove away to Government House, Ganeshkhind.

Prince Tradeis of Teck also accompanied the Governor's party.

BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

The Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, Bombay, is pleased to make the following appointments :—

3rd Bombay Light Infantry—Surgeon-Captain Basu, Indian Medical Service, to Medical Charge, vice Surgeon-Major Sargent, deceased.

Military Works Department—On return from leave, Captain Chapman, R.E., is posted to Quetta Circle, Military Works.

The following officers have qualified for the appointment of Acting Paymaster :—Lieut. Dowdall, 2nd Bn. King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry ; and Lieutenant Arnold, 1st Bn. Wiltshire Regiment.

Under instructions from the War Office, Captain Ryan, Royal Irish Rifles, is directed to proceed to England, on promotion, and join the 1st Battalion of his Regiment. He will travel at the public expense.

The undermentioned officers are granted leave to proceed out of India, on medical certificate :—Surgeon-Captain Hudson, Indian Medical Service, Medical Officer, 2nd Bombay Grenadiers, for six months (Pension service 7th year commenced 25th June 1895) ; Lieutenant Windham, Staff Corps, Wing Officer, 5th Bombay Light Infantry, for eight months. (Pension service ninth year commenced 17th December, 1895).

The undermentioned officers have leave of absence :—Military Works Department—Lieutenant West, Royal Engineers, six months, on medical certificate, out of India.

Army Veterinary Department—Veterinary-Lieutenant Baldrey, six months, on medical certificate, out of India.

Lancashire Regiment (2nd Bn.)—Lieutenant Willoughby Osborne, two months, on private affairs, out of India.

Wiltshire Regiment (1st Bn.)—Lieut. Horne, 6 months, on medical certificate, out of India.

Staff Corps—Lieutenant-Colonel Macpherson, an extension of one year, on private affairs, granted by the Secretary of State for India ; and Major Barclay (Commissariat Department), an extension of six months, on private affairs, granted by the Secretary of State for India.

30th Bombay Infantry—Captain Southey, an extension of three months, on medical certificate, granted by the Secretary of State for India.

30th Bombay Infantry—Captain Mennie, an extension of 14 days, on private affairs, granted by the Secretary of State for India.

13th Bombay Infantry—Captain Nurse, an extension of 4 months, on medical certificate, granted by the Secretary of State for India.

Lieut. Parker (No. 6 Bombay Mountain Battery, R.A.), an extension of one month, on medical certificate, granted by Secretary of State for India.

5th Bombay Cavalry—Lieutenant Da Costa, an extension of 4 months, on medical certificate.

Royal Artillery (No. 28 Company Southern Division)—Lieutenant Cleghorn, an extension from the 18th May to 17th October, 1896, on medical certificate, out of India, granted by the Commander-in-Chief.

NOTES FROM LONDON.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, MAY 22.

YEAR by year, as the Academy opens, one wonders whether it is a worse evil to have to endure one's conventional acquaintance's counsel : "You really should go" ; or to have to confront one's artist friends, having "done the academy," with the unhappy consciousness of having overlooked their more or less "skied" exhibits. As for asking why one should go, that simply means bruises against an impassable wall of unreasoning conviction ; so it seems usually the easiest course to try and "get it over," like the visit to the dentist, and mount the wide stairs with the forlorn intention of consulting the little blue-book under one's arm, in every room, for well-known names.

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This year, the exhibits begin outside with the fine equestrian statue of Lord Roberts, destined for Calcutta, and grumblingly let go by London, which has very few monuments of its own to equal Mr. Bates' work. There is usually an uncomfortable suggestion about horses placed on a small pedestal that they are about to bound over their narrow platform, and the alternative is ordinarily an enlarged recollection of the artist's own wooden-legged nursery mount, but in Mr. Bates' rendering, the horse draws back from the edge with impatient pawing, his beautiful neck restlessly curved aside. The well-massed group is supported on a pillared pedestal with very decorative reliefs of infantry on the right and cavalry on the left ; behind, a bronze warrior in chain armour is seated, full of thought, and in front a woman, in the prow of a vessel, holds up a standard with a wreath and little figure of fame at the top. The base and pedestal and crowning figure are in complete unison.

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Mr. Abbey's "Courtship of Richard of Gloucester" is undoubtedly the success of the year, and all the more brilliant a one, as the greater part of the world knows him only as the black and white illustrator of *Harper's Magazine*. With the one practical reservation, which one ought perhaps to sacrifice to artistic license, that the courtship is rather publicly carried on, the picture is perfect, and most decorative in line ; a sombre scheme of colour, in which the red garments of Richard and the scarlet maces carried in procession gleam like jewels in a dark setting. Another beautiful piece of colour and line is Frank Dicksee's "Mirror" ; in which a girl, whose beautiful head is framed in a gleaming background of mother-of-pearl, gazes at her reflection with careless grace. One does not at first discover in the wealth of white and gold and violet embroidered drapery, that the upper arm is too long, and that owing to this and to the splendid relief of the hand that holds the mirror, her eyes do not really meet the glass. In "A Confession," also exquisitely painted, Mr. Dicksee is less successful. It is rather sickly, and the pallor of the two faces intensifies the impression. There are a great many stories written nowadays about men's making revelations to their wives, seemingly rather prompted by the idea of getting rid of an intolerable burden, than by the hope of a good result. Would it not be better to say nothing and do better in future, especially in a case like this, when the poor lady looks to have the seal of death on her, and it seems a cruel atonement to trouble her end ?

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Mr. La Thangue runs Mr. Abbey very close in general judgment ; and the lovers of naturalism like his painting far and away better. The picture bought by the Chantrey trustees is so gorgeous in its sunny effect, that one looks to see if a stray gleam from the sky has not singled it out for illumination ; most people, however, prefer his ducks, bobbling and waddling and tumbling over one another in their hasty scramble to the waterside ; their awkward little bodies flecked by sun and shade ; while in the distance a fuller brilliancy touches the pink bodice of the farm girl at work. In "The Man with the Scythe," a cottage scene, in which a labourer pauses outside the gate, while a mother gazes at her sick child, taking an airing in its chair, the symbolism is, we fancy, too obvious for such realistic treatment, but the picture is subdued in feeling, and pleasantly free from the jarring theatrical element in Professor Herkomer's "Convalescent." The poor child in the latter looks dead, if indeed she were ever alive, and her eyes start out of her head with an awful gleam. Surely those high lights in the eye, the recurrence of the unreal in modern painting emotion, are too cheap a trick for a Royal Academician ; and the grouping of the figures, well cut of the way so as to let the spectator have a good view—a common fault of composition—already gave enough to theatrical effect.

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Mr. Gotch, in his finely coloured decorative panel, "Alleluia" (if we remember the name rightly) has painted rows of little singers, and though they are under life size, has made them children, not dolls, and given an individual charm to each. The back ground is gold, and the dresses are of prismatic brilliance, gold embroidered. Mr. Swann exhibits a little "Lion Hunter," asleep, and two crouching leopards, sinuous and stealthy ; he is the one animal painter, who makes one see first the leopards and then the spots. In another room, Mr. Solomita Rae's beautiful "Summer," an exquisite nude figure pillowed on roses, and caressed by overhanging blossoms, satirizes the title of a picture close by : "York and Lancaster Roses" ; two teams of footballers, with their hideous white and red, and white jerseys, brick-red faces and thorny looking legs. "The Relief of Lucknow" is a very strongly painted picture, somewhat sordid and uneastern in colour, we fancy, and, like most English pictures, unhappy in its dramatic action. We have not great sympathy with Mr. Hacker's nun in her struggle between earth and heaven, perhaps it is because her chin is too heavy, or seems so, swathed as it is in folds of linen ; she is kneeling in rather a stage attitude, between a slightly petulant angel and a gauzy tempting lady with a little love on her shoulder ; the colouring, however, of the picture is charming. In Mr. Solomon's beautiful "Dawn of Love" the Cupids are not at all captivating little animals, but the maiden's sweet lips seem to breathe love without inquiring into the prettiness of the small imp she caresses.

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One makes a sorrowful pause before the late Lord Leighton's "Clytie," but can find in it no suggestion of his weakening vitality, no hint of the disappointing struggle for completion that occupied the last weeks of his life. In it, there is all the grace and distinction of the days when his energies were at the highest ; and if at the last, his mind dwelt as all on the work that he loved, he must have felt that the few touches still wanting could bring it little nearer to the ideal he would have liked to give to the world.

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With the exception of some charming paintings of children,—Mr. Hare's dainty bridesmaid, dwarfed by the great bouquet her small white gloved hands can scarcely hold, and also the dark little maid, Irene, probably too wilful to be well hung by the Academy, like the less sturdy but pretty little angel below her,—there are very few portraits one could endure to live with. Most of the ladies are stiff or inanely pretty if they have been painted by old Academicians, and the men, one knows not why, seem to have their noses very much in evidence. There is a school of artists that always prefers the snub, and no wonder, if the transition of light and shade in an outstanding one is so difficult of treatment. A very good portrait, severe in style, by Miss Lancaster Lucas, is hung rather high, although the salon of the Champs Elysees last year placed it on the line. Mr. Stanhope Forbes' portraits are all characteristic, and Mr. Osborne's also very clever, but there is more difference, by far, between any two real women in the Academy, than he has yet given to his different sitters, and he has also to learn from Mr. Sargent how to subordinate red draperies to the superior interest of the face, while all have to learn from M. Benjamin Constant to give the large richness of humanity that makes it possible for one to live with an ugly portrait, thoroughly well painted. Even from Mr Sargent we would exact more, and we feel sure that he has missed some natural note in his portrait of Mr. Chamberlain. Is it possible that the real man can make one so uncomfortable ?

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Artists have well known the risks of adverse comment they ran in painting rigging, and usually avoided it ; but there is now the charybdis of the critical tailor awaiting them. The Rontgen ray is not more penetrating than his eye. Not alone has Mr. Sargent given Mr. Chamberlain a button too few, but the ninth of a man has also said that "the details, generally, of this gentleman's garments would not pass muster in any average tailor's shop. The gaping opening between collar and lapel of the D. B. Frock, the ugly creases in the sleeves, the vest without a button on it, are as repulsive to a tailor's eye, as the most glaring want of harmony in colour and form would be to the artist who has made the most casual study of analogies and contrasts. We noticed a certain un-dummy like limpness in Mr. Chamberlain's frock coat, but the subtle distinctions of lapels and the number of necessary buttons open up a new and complicated branch of art education. The anatomy of clothes will have to become a yearly text book on every artist's shelf.

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The poor tailor finds small satisfaction for his eye even in the House of Commons. The frock coats are all too loose in the back ; Major Dalbiac persists in turning up his trousers, Sir J. Blundell Maple in wearing "lounges and dinner jackets." Mr. Hayes Fisher should re-consider himself, as "his trousers seldom fall gracefully on the foot." The Jewish section fortunately "displays a latent taste for beauty of form and elaborate dressing," but the Irish are to a large extent hoplessly ill-dressed : "Mr. Field has only to be seen once in order to be remembered ; his unkempt locks and active figure, crowned with a Cromwell hat, suggests extreme carelessness. Dr. Ambrose's grey coat might be passed on to some historical museum along with his scarlet tie ; but his well-cut and bright-looking trousers will remain a joy to him for some time to come. Will it be heaven or the reverse for the tailor if we are all hereafter emancipated in the form of cherubs ?

TABLE TALK.

[BY WALTER BESANT.]

LONDON, MAY 22.

MILTON'S cottage revisited. Threes—or is it four ?—years have passed since I last saw the place. That visit was afterwards—I remember—made an occasion of rebuke. for I stated somewhere, first, that very few people know of this cottage ; next that very few people pilgrimise to the spot ; thirdly, that very few people ever read Milton's poems *through* twice ; and lastly, that there was a very tolerable inn, where a civil hand-maiden waits upon the visitors. Then the jumping began. One man wrote in a fever of indignation. People do read Milton, he said. Well, I only advanced the proposition that they don't read him *through* twice. Then a woman wrote in simulated rage. People, she said, do go to see the cottage. Well, I only said that very few go. Also she called upon her readers to pour contempt and derision on the man who took his information from barmaids. Well, but I took no information from the waitress, except the fact that the chop was ready. Lastly, the editor had an article on the subject, in which he, too, felt himself called upon to blame the man who consulted the barmaid. The most wonderful storm in a teacup it was. Let us say it again. Very few people know of Milton's cottage ; very few visit it : very few read their Milton through twice ; and there is an admirable little inn, called Merlin's Cave, where, last Saturday, we had an excellent cup of tea served by a most obliging and civil hand-maiden. I am glad, however, to report that the number of people who find out the place is increasing ; the visitors' book is filling up. Why does not all the world flock to see this cottage, as sacred as that in Stratford-on-Avon ? I will tell you how to reach it. Take the train to Chalfont Road, beyond Rickmansworth. From that station it is a three miles' walk ; and, I think, at this time of year, the loveliest walk in all this lovely land for greenery, blossoms, grasses, and flowers. If you cannot walk, get out at Rickmansworth and take a vehicle. Give yourself plenty of time, for there is a good deal to see in the village besides Milton's cottage. It is a very ancient village, lying retired and hidden away, yet close to the Roman Road. You will find Milton's room almost as he left it. Through the casement floated in upon his poor blind head the fragrance of the spring flowers, the voice of the thrush, the humming of the bees, the clucking of the hen, all the sounds of life and summer, just as they do now, while he pondered on a theme that can never again be attempted by poet. Go, dear reader, sit in Milton's chair and think of those sightless eyes turned out towards the light, and of that grave and earnest face splendid with the fire that touched Elijah's hallowed lips.

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When the Great Fire swept London from Billingsgate to the Temple, not one church, not one house, no building of any kind that stood upon that broad area escaped. That is what everybody has always believed. No building survived, or could have survived, the irresistible fiercenesss of that flame. So I have always believed. Yet I have discovered—the credit of the discovery being due to another man—that there is not only a house, but a court, in the very middle of that area, which did escape the fire. Possibly its roof was burned ; the walls, however, still stand as they stood long before the fire ; the bricks show the antiquity of the building, which is also attested by the windows. The court is doomed, and will be pulled down before many days or weeks. And, since it never rains but it pours, I have been reminded, in speaking of this discovery, that Strype mentions another house, in Aldersgate this time, which also escaped the fire. The reason why the little court was spared I take to have been the immediate proximity of a church with high stone walls and an intervening open area—a churchyard—so that the flames could only reach these houses from the roof. Now, if one house escaped in such a manner, there may have been many more. This example of London before the fire, actually standing in the area of the fire at the present day, is, I believe, unique. I have taken steps to get it figured before it is destroyed.

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I believe that I am almost the only literary person in the world who does not profess to be an art critic. Therefore it affords me the greatest pleasure to visit a collection of pictures, especially that much-abused collection of Burlington House, which I always enjoy most uncritically. But even an uncritical visitor may be allowed a simple remark, if it is only to say that one likes, or does not like, a picture. The remark that I have to offer is that the imaginative faculty of our artists appears to be dying out ; every year I seem, in my uncritical way, to observe that the pictures show less and less of imagination. Two or three pictures in each room, in which there is imagination, only bring out more clearly the pictures in which there is none. It is not enough to paint a cottage and a tree ; there must be added, in painting as in every other branch of Art, something of the imagination ; something that suggests ; an atmosphere. Without this touch of imagination, what have we but a catalogue raisonne, in which the subjects are painted instead of printed ? To illustrate what I mean, compare the early work of Richard Jeffries, say some of the chapters of the "Gamekeeper at Home," with his later work, say the "Pageant of Summer." In the former the author just enumerates ; one admires his power of seeing everything ; but he enumerates. In the latter he paints a splendid picture, full of life and soul, out of the same materials. But how are painters to get imagination ? Not by smoking cigarettes and talking in studios all day. I suppose that everybody has some imagination which may be cultivated like anything else. It may perhaps be cultivated by the reading of fine verse ; by the study of great writers ; by the study of Nature ; by companionship ; by meditation ; by serious habits of thought ; by, if one may say so, by a worthy habit of life. It is certain that poets, painters, novelists, dramatists—all alike —nay, all who write, speak, paint, preach, or teach, must put themselves into their own work. If their work fails in imagination ; if it is dull ; if it is sordid, it is because the mind of the worker himself is dull and uncultivated. When one sees a picture splendid in conception and in colour and in drawing, the mind naturally, and rightly, attributes to the painter those qualities of mind which he has put into his picture. Can a mean man produce a mean work of art ? No man, we all believe, can speak—or suggest—by means of his art, anything one inch above himself.

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We were lately speaking on the ridiculous failure of our punishment system. I venture to say that it never either reforms or deters. Cases in support of this opinion occur daily. The other day, five criminals of the much punished, and, therefore, perfectly hopeless, class were tried for robbing a woman of £100 worth of jewellery. Their names were Finberg, Gorman, Wright, Harris and Wilson. They were all convicted, and have all gone into seclusion for periods varying from three years to five years. Against Finberg there were four previous convictions ; against Gorman, three ; against Wright, eleven ; against Harris, seven ; against Wilson, five. Now, supposing the improbable, viz., the reform of any one of these villains, what person would ever employ him in any work whatever ? and what possible hope can we entertain that any one of them will reform ? They cannot work ; they cannot get work ; the only trade they know is thieving in one or more of its many branches ; the only thing they can do for a living is to thieve ; the moment they get out they will begin to thieve again. Police supervision ? It is the most futile thing ever attempted. But suppose we say to these poor creatures : You are incorrigible rogues ; you shall be punished by a period of hard labour ; you shall then be placed in less rigorous confinement, where you may earn luxuries, such as tobacco and beer, by hard work ; and there you shall stay all your lives, without the least hope of ever getting out again. The method would be cheap, efficacious, and deterrent ; it would rid us in a few months of the greater part of our habitual criminals ; they would beget no more children to inherit their vices ; we should shut up half our gaols and pension off half our police, not to speak of saving thousands in magistrates.

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No information has reached me as to the ghost laying trade. I suppose, therefore, that it has wholly decayed and is now forgotten. Ghosts, indeed, are so rare in these days that it would be next to impossible to pick up a living in this way. I have not heard that even the Psychical Research Society, an unpaid body, has done anything lately in the Ghost department. Perhaps the members have been quite occupied with the spiritualistic performances of the accomplished Italian lady. Can it be, however, that ghosts are really played out ! Authentic accounts of recent apparitions would be received with great satisfaction—observe that one always speaks of ghosts as authentic ; it is the indispensable adjective in ghostdom. "Sir," said my last ghost to me, "remark, if you please, that I am authentic." I said last week that we had had enough of the dowser. A country paper has since then reached me, in which I learn that someone in the profession has been going for me in fine slashing style amounting, it appears, to personal castigation. Let us meekly turn the other cheek. Even when the slashing is over, I cannot believe that the hazel twig has got anything to do with the finding of water. That water has been found on the representation of certain men cannot be denied. There may be some sense unknown to most which *feels* the presence of water ; on the other hand, one would like to know how many times those persons have failed as well as succeeded.

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Here is a real, undoubted, and authentic case of water seeking. The Rural District Council of Eaton Socon, a village near St. Neots, has been deliberating on the subject of water finding. Read the following from the *St. Neots Advertiser* :

The clerk reported that he had been unable to come to terms with Mr. Tompkins, water finder, of Chippenham, and having heard of Mr. R. Anthony, Yelling, as a water finder, had invited him to attend this meeting. Mr Anthony undertook to try for water in Little Staughton on the 16th inst., on the terms that t if he failed no fee to be paid him, and if successful the amount of remuneration to be left with this council.

In consequence, Mr. Anthony visited Little Staughton on the appointed day. There were present the Chairman, the Clerk, and several members of the Council.

Starting from Chapel End, Mr Anthony worked his way to the Top End. At Chapel End he indicated one spot where plenty of water would be found, he came to another in a garden adjoining Mr. Warren's residence, and, proceeding lower down, he showed another place in a field near the Wickey lane, where he said an abundant supply would be found.

It only remains to ascertain whether water has been found at the three places indicated. This I will endeavour to learn.

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Sunday with the Dean. She was invited, with her husband, to dine with the Dean after morning service. This, of course, was held in the Cathedral, the Dean himself taking the Communion part. She remarked with surprise that he repeated the whole without the help of the Prayer Book, and that he bowed to the Table, which, she thought, savoured of Popery. Service over, she met the Dean at the church door, where he bestowed alms upon a crowd of poor folk, refusing only one old woman because she presented an unwashed hand. So to the Deanery, preceded by the silver poker. At table the Dean sat at the head ; opposite to him was a pier-glass, in which he could see what his servants were doing behind his back. The dinner was served on silver "with great elegance." The beef, however, turned out to be overdone ; the Dean therefore sent for the cook and bade her take it downstairs and do it less. She replied that she could not. "Why," said the Dean, "what sort of creature are you to commit a fault which cannot be mended ?" He then perceived, by means of his looking glass, that his butler, behind his back, was helping himself to the bottled ale. "Ha ! friend," says the Dean, "sharp's the world : I find, you drank my ale, for which I stop two shillings of your board-money this week." Dinner over, the Dean asked the lady what she desired next. "Your conversation, Sir," she replied, politely. "Phoon !" said the Dean, "I mean what regale ?" "A dish of coffee, Sir." So he had in the pot, and made the coffee himself, with the lady's assistance. "For," he said, "when I was Chaplain to the Earl of Berkeley I was so poor that I was obliged to keep a coffee house, and all the nobility resorted to it to talk treason." In the afternoon he made the lady read to him out of his own "Annals of the last Four Years of Queen Anne's Reign" until it was time for evening service. After supper, during which the Dean said the rudest possible things, which he presently changed into compliments, the guests retired. On taking leave, the Dean slipped into the lady's hand all the money which she and her husband had put into the offertory that day, together with their coach hire. The critic, on reading this narrative, will ask (1) whether the pier glass was put up for the first time that Sunday. Otherwise every one of the servants would have known what it meant. (2) How the Dean knew what money the lady and her husband had put into the plate. Perhaps, however, there was a regulation coin, like the Besant which the King at his Coronation laid upon the altar and afterwards redeemed. The Dean in question was Jonathan Swift, and this dinner took place about the year 1730. The picker-up of social trifles will observe, further, that the servants were on board wages. I think that in ordinary houses the method of board wages was unknown, and that the servants did not have the same food as the family. I omitted to mention that the Dean carried in his pocket a "Gold Runlet," in which was a corkscrew, and that he operated upon his bottles with his own Decanal hand. Is there any Dean nowadays who opens his own bottles with a pocket corkscrew, makes his own coffee, distributes largesse indiscriminately, and watches his servants behind his back ? I will not disclose the name of the lady, because her history, later on, is far from edifying. Thackeray, however, read her memoirs and quotes her.

THE PLEADERS' EXAMINATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Under the rules in force up to the end of 1892, for the examination of candidates for the office of District Pleader, a candidate desirous of passing it was required to obtain at least 60 per cent. of the aggregate number of marks obtainable in all questions set for the examination. When these rules were in force very few candidates succeeded in passing the test. Recently, however, this standard of marks has been considerably lowered—only fifty per cent. of the aggregate number of marks obtainable in all papers being enough to get a Sanad for practising in Courts in a district. The result of thus making the test easier is that the number of District Pleaders has of late greatly increased, and it will still increase, every year as the results of this examination and of that for the degree of LL.B., are declared. A continual increase in the number of legal practitioners will no doubt tend to lower the fees, and the public will thereby, to a certain extent, be benefited, but what about the dignity of the honourable profession itself ? I am almost afraid that it will soon be degraded, if it has not already been so, in the eyes of the public. I say this, because I find that graduates —whose legal attainments are so slender that an observer cannot refrain from surprise that they ever managed to pass the test—not only undertake cases, which they are unfit to conduct satisfactorily for an utterly inadequate remuneration, but I regret to be sorry to have to say that many of them often encourage litigation, and undertake speculative business to the prejudices of the ignorant and poor suitor merely to get a living. Competition amongst these men is so keen that it has already gone beyond the limits to which a healthy competition might be allowed to extend. I think it, therefore, desirable that something ought to be done to put an end to further competition, which might lead to ruin. The only remedy which suggests itself to me for checking the growing evil herein mentioned is to adopt measures to prevent any fresh and large accession of such unworthy specimens of legal practitioners being made to the existing number of pleaders practising in District Courts. I think this can easily be done either by raising the number of marks which a candidate desirous of passing this examination is required to obtain, say 80 per cent. of the total number of marks obtainable in all the subjects prescribed for the test, as was the case only a couple of years ago, instead of only 50 per cent., as at present ; or by raising the present educational test a little higher. I think no candidate should be allowed to appear for this examination unless he has passed the Previous Examination of the University of Bombay. This will tend to keep away from the examination men not fit to appear for it, and will, in future, prevent any sensible addition being made to the existing number of District pleaders.—Yours, &c.,

A PENSIONED PLEADER.

REUTER'S Agency publishes a dreadful account from Constantinople of the massacres perpetrated in Orfah at the close of last year. The details quite bear out the assertion that the occurrences in this once flourishing town surpass in brutal ferocity any that took place in Armenia in the autumn of last year, and that the Sasun atrocities were a trivial matter in comparison. The principal massacres occurred on the 28th and 29th of October, and the 28th and 29th of December of last year, and that on the last two days seems to have been the worst. Out of a population of 65,000 upwards of 8,000 were killed on those two dates, between 2,500 and 3,000 being killed or burnt in the cathedral. Reuter's correspondent, however, would not be surprised if between 9,000 and 10,000 Armenians were found to have perished in that awful forty-eight hours. He gives two examples of the way in which the butchery was carried out. About a hundred stalwart young Armenians were thrown on their backs and held down by their hands and feet while a Sheikh, reciting verses of the Koran, proceeded to cut their throats after the Mecca rite of sacrificing sheep. At mid-day on Sunday, December 29th, at least 3,000 men, women and children had taken refuge in the Armenian cathedral, where the priest administered the Sacrament to some eighteen hundred of them, the figure being recorded on one of the pillars in the church. The mob first began by firing in through the windows. Then the iron door was smashed in, and the attacking party proceeded to massacre all those, mostly men, who were on the ground floor. They rifled the church treasure to the extent of some £4,000, destroyed the pictures and relics, and, mocking, called on Christ to prove Himself a greater prophet than Mahomed. Then the huge gallery running round the upper portion of the cathedral, where a packed mass of shrieking and terrified women and children and some men was gathered, was set on fire and all in it perished in the flames. On each day of the massacres the slaughtering began and ended with the sound of the trumpet. As an instance of the thoroughness with which they were conducted, is afforded by the statement that 126 Armenian families were absolutely wiped out, not even a woman or an infant remaining. The condition of the thousands of widows and orphans and the grown up men who survive, is described as wretched to the last degree. The loss of property is estimated at from £T150,000 to £T200,000 finally, the authentic information which has now been received on the subject, and is in the hands of the six Embassies at Constantinople renders it impossible to doubt that the massacres at Orfah were deliberately planned with the connivance of the local authorities acting on superior orders.

SOME of the Glasgow magistrates have evidently tender hearts. A lad of sixteen was brought before one of them—Bailie M'Kellard—the other day, charged with fighting, and when in the dock he commenced to cry. The report proceeds :—Where's your coat ?" asked the Bailie. "Somebody ta'en it awa', sir," he answered. The Fiscal : "He took it off to fight." Bailie M'Kellar : "A dinna think ye're a verra guid fighter, ladie. Ye've an ower greetin' kin' o' face. Were only a child in the eyes o' the law, however, and I'll let you off this time. Awa' hame, bairnie," There is quite a Bailie Nicol Jarvie touch about this.

MATCHES made of paper are the latest invention in America. The time-honoured plan of rolling paper into a spill and using it for lighting purposes, has been utilised by an inventor in the manufacture of matches, and promises to revolutionise the European trade. The paper is immersed in wax, stearine, and similar substances, and burns with a right, smokeless, and odourless flame. Cut into match lengths, it is dipped in phosphorous wax, like the common wax match. The invention is regarded as a timely one, as the wood used in the making of matches is constantly growing more scarce and costly.

THE "LITTLE GEORGIA MAGNET."

ANOTHER good house greeted the Saunders-Gould and "Little Georgia Magnet" combination at the Tivoli Theatre, last night. Mr. Charles Saunders was in as good voice as on the previous evening, and afforded the audience as great a treat as before with his cultured and artistic renderings of the various songs set down to him. These included Braham's "Death of Nelson," Blumenthal's ever popular "Message," and that familiar favourite, "The Star of Bethlehem." Signor Gould was also in most excellent voice, and his refined method and finished style won for him the same hearty approval as before. He sang "Molloy's" "Lighthouse Keeper," Tosti's "Beauty's Eyes," and Schumann's "Two Grenadiers," and gave to each a finished and accurate interpretation. The musical part of the programme (which was all the more enjoyed because the numbers chosen were familiar to the audience) concluded with a duet from the two vocalists—Gabrisi's "Fisherman." Mr. Seymour Dove accompanied the songs with his accustomed ability. The second part of the programme was occupied with a repetition with variations of the performance of Miss Abbott, in the presence of another representative committee chosen from the audience. Except in one or two instances the tests exhibited by the Magnet were the same as on Thursday night, and they commanded, if anything, still more enthusiastic admiration. Undoubtedly, from a phenomenal standpoint the great feature of the entertainment, as the general manager, Mr. Abbey, more than once pointed out, is the ability of the Little Magnet to perform her tests when by contact with the object lifted is unexcepted by the hands of members of the committee with no pressure on the hands thus interposed. Bombay has seen nothing like Miss Abbott's marvellous performances before, and it was therefore no wonder that the audience looked on some of the feats in speechless amazement, and broke out into loud cheers at their conclusion. Not a single test failed, and when the closing fest, which partook of the nature of an exhibition of catalepsy, had been witnessed, the audience was satisfied that Miss Abbott's introducer and agent had not claimed one whit more for her in his opening remarks than she could adequately accomplish. The audience was evidently glad to learn from Mr. Abbey that the Magnet is to give one more exhibition of her marvellous powers on Tuesday evening next, before sailing for London. A large house at this farewell performance may safely be reckoned on.

JOTTINGS FROM KHANDALLA.

A CORRESPONDENT, writing from Khandalla says:—Since I wrote to you a few days ago the weather has taken a different turn. The wind during the day is rather high, which makes the place nice and cool, and the nights are delightful. Most of the season visitors are "packing up" to return to their homes, but their place is being taken by a fresh lot who find themselves unable to stay in the lower districts, where the heat is said to be still very intense. Upto the 5th of this month Khandalla was quite crowded with visitors, but since then many have left the station, hoping to find the disctrict greatly refreshed by the late rains, but unless the monsoon breaks out very soon, I am afraid they will all be very angry with those who some time ago predicted that the real monsoon would in all probability burst over us by the 7th or 8th of June. However, it is an admitted fact that the reporters of the weather, as everyone else, are liable to make mistakes, and I cannot see why we should blame them for their errors when we can very well understand that they are not infallible. The number of visitors in Khandala this year was unusually large. A good many of them were from Secunderabad, Ahmednagar, Kamptee, Bombay, and other far-off places. The following are the names of some of those that lived at the Khandala Hotel :—Mrs. Maitland, Mrs. Richards (Neemuch), Mr. and Mrs. Sanders-Slater (Bombay), Capt. and Mrs. French (Secunderabad), Surgn-Major and Mrs. Addison (Poona), Lieut. and Mrs. Dickson, Mr. and Mrs. Hill (Bombay), Miss Collier (Bombay), Lieut. Sheehan (Bombay), two Misses Shewan (England), Lieut. and Mrs. Hardinz (Secunderabad), Lieuts. Ryan, Lewis, and Jameson (Royal Irish Rifles), the Rev. and Mrs. McNeill (Dohad, Panch Mahals), Captain Buckle, R.I. R. Commandant, Surgeon-Captain and Mrs. Parry, Mr. and Mrs. Prevost (Bombay), Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Alexander (Bombay), Mrs. Griffiths, Mr. and Mrs. Alcock (Bombay),Miss Prudhomme (Bangalore), Mr. and Mrs. McLaren (Bombay), Lieut. Fagan (Secunderabad), Mr. Kidney (Bombay), Brig.-Genl. Creagh, Commanding Bombay District, Captain Vidal, D. A. A. G., Bombay District, Mr. R. H. Vincent, C. I. E., Commissioner of Police (Bombay), Mr. Silas E. Sassoon (Bombay), Mr. Alston (Bombay), Mrs. Biscoe (Secunderabad), Mr. Crosleigh (Secunderabad), Lieut. Harrison (Bolarum), Mrs. G. K. Remington, and Mrs. Elworthy (Bombay). Besides these there were others whose names would occupy too much space if mentioned here. The hotel here is kept open in the rains. Passing clouds are noticed almost every day, but there has been not a drop of rain for the last four or five days.

THE MESSAGERIES STEAMER.

THE following is a list of passengers, per s.s. Sydney, leaving to-day :—

FOR MARSEILLES.

Mrs B Morgan	Mr M B Doyne
Mr and Mrs Viteaux and child	Mrs Warde
Mrs C Fernandez	Mrs Maurian
Mrs Spillmann	Mr Benson
Mr Le Duc	Mr Alexander
Mr Cloke	Mr Hare
Mrs Rennands and 2

loned he sneaked out and bolted. He was brought back, and the Court expressed its intention of putting him in custody. Mr. Chamier urged that Ibad Ali would certainly give no more evidence in the case if that were done, and that it would deter the other witnesses from speaking, so the Court only detained him in its private room. This man falsely declared that he had not been in Court the second time. Mr. Boyle requested the Court to note this denial of Ibad Ali's, but it was not done.) Mr. Scott asked for papers and I told Ibad Ali to take them. Did not go myself. (Mr. Boyle said he could not cross-examine this witness until Ibad Ali's evidence-in-chief, which had been stopped, had been completed. The Court remarked that it failed to see the necessity of this. Mr. Boyle then declined to cross-examine.)

Witness to Court: Never saw nor checked Ibad Ali's accounts. Ram Jas did that. Ibad Ali afterwards told me he had given money to the Sub-Judge —Rs. 300 in one case and something in the Kauria case.

The first witness, Ibad Ali, was then recalled, and stated :—

This receipt (exhibit F.) was signed in English by Priya Nath before me. It is dated 26th in body and 27th on the top. This receipt (exhibit (1) dated 8th May for Rs. 10 was signed by Wazir Ahmad Khan. (Identified other signatures.) This Hindi siyaha, which has come from Deputy Collector Nageshar Pershad's Court is for 1302 F. It was written by Choto Lal. It is for village not in use. There is an entry "17th October 1895 in case Mahabir versus Guptar and Asra and Avatar, appeal in Sub-Judge's Court, Rs. 100." The appeal was dismissed in default of appearance. Mahabir was ill. He filed an application for re-instatement (bazaar) which was dismissed. This entry means that Rs. 100 was given to the Sub-Judge in this bazaar case. On 8th May 1895 I went to the Sub-Judge's house. I think both Ram Pargat and Mahabir went with me. Only Mahabir went with me on the second occasion. I gave the Rs. 100 to the Sub-Judge. Mahabir stayed outside on the edge of the road (patri). In my memorandum book the date is 17th October Rs. 100, and in this siyaha it is the 7th October Rs. 100. The only explanation I can give of the difference in the dates is that one of them is a mistake. I can't say which is right or which is wrong. I don't make entries straight into the siyahas, but first roughly on some piece of paper or other. Perhaps I can find the (particular) piece. (Adjourned till next day.)

THIRD DAY, WEDNESDAY, 3RD JUNE.

IBAD ALI continued: I made a report at the thana. Produce receipt, date 28th May 1890. I hung my basta on some bamboos—slept—woke—missed it—searched—found it in a nala. Four papers that had been in it were missing. One of them was the siyaha for 1302C—When I reported this loss at the thana I said I didn't suspect any one and didn't want any inquiry made. The siyaha produced in Court (exhibit B) is the one I gave to Mr. Chamier on the 29th May. I had the stolen siyaha for 1302 on the 26th, but as Mr. Chamier did not ask for it, I did not give it to him, but put it in my basta, and then it got stolen. I did not show that 1302 siyaha to Mr. Scott. I do not remember who was sitting in Court on the 7th October or 17th October, whichever is correct. On the day I went to the Sub-Judge's in this bazdair case-Munshi Durga Dat was sitting and Tikal Ali began to again three days later. Durga Dat decided case No. 210—Jeorakhan versus Bijai Raj Sinh. Jeorajkhan got decree for pre-emption conditional on payment of Rs. 3,080 in three months. The money was paid. This is an application for a cheque signed by Ram Jas. The date is 7th October. Ram Jas filed it. In order to get this money from the Court I dit not bribe anyone. I did not give Durga Dat Joshi (officiating Sub-judge, when Ikbal Ali was on leave) anything. The application was presented on 7th October. In my bahi, under date 7th October, is entered that Rs. 100 was given to "S." This Rs. 100 given on 7th October was not in respect of this application for a cheque, but on account of Mahabir's bazdair case. The day on which I went to the Sub-Judge's about Mahabir's case, is not the day on which the application for a cheque was presented. I have never heard that Durga Dat took bribes. It does not appear from my book that I gave Mahabir any money on that day (7th October).

Cross examination reserved.

To Court: Rs. 100 was given to Mahabir on that day, i. e., on 7th October, at my bistar in Gonda, and after that I took the money to the Subudge, Ikbal Ali. Mahabir gave it back to me as far as I remember. I made these entries on the last page of my note-book, because I always had it with me, whereas the bahi was not always by me. This book (exhibit B) was always with me. I wrote those memos. afterwards. Wrote this first page on 30th January in Gonda. This intikhab was written on three different dates. Perhaps I showed this page to the Bhaya Sahib. He said: "Is it entered in the accounts?" I said, "Yes." I collect for the Bhaya Sahib. Can't say how much in any one year without the papers. I do not collect for the Bhaya Sahib at all, but help the karinda. I got Rs. 1,115, which I expended for the Bhaya Sahib, back from him by getting it from the Jwanji. I can't say how I got that Rs. 1,115 back from the Bhaya. (The witness shuffled whilst answering the Court's questions.)

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Cross-examination reserved.

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A.—Ibad Ali was in the room when my statement was being taken down. He used to talk and I used to talk at the same time. (Part of the alleged statement was read to witness.) I did not make that statement. It is not true that I went with Ibad Ali to the Sub-Judge's house. I never told you (Mr. Chamier) that I and Ibad Ali went to the Sub-Judge's house together. I met Ibad Ali near the Sub-Judge's house one evening. I had no case pending then, nor had Ram Pargat.

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The Court ordered this witness to find bail in the sum of Rs. 1,000 or in default to be placed in custody and then adjourned.

FOURTH DAY, THURSDAY, 4TH JUNE.

Mr. Boyle lodged a protest against the Court's action in putting Mahabir, the last witness, into custody, as such action was likely to terrorize the witnesses against saying anything in the accused's favour and because there was no evidence whatever before the Court to show that Mahabir had committed an offence under Section 193, I. P. C. This was recorded. The Court stated it had committed Mahabir to custody, because he had stated on oath that he had not made a certain statement before Mr. Ross Scott, there being "prima facie" evidence that he had made it.

Hari Dat Panth: Am Assistant Surgeon. I attended a patient in the Sub-Judge's house, known to me as Mujia Miyan, last year. Refreshing my memory from my note-book, I can say that I visited the patient on the 14th October and again on the 15th, 17th, and subsequent days. On 15th I had conversation with the Sub-Judge. Don't remember what about, but must have had it. On 16th I asked why I had not been called in. They told me they would not take the responsibility in the Sub-Judge's absence.

Cross-examined: The sheets on which these entries occur are separate from the rest of the book. A fresh summons was issued for Ram Pargat for Saturday and a commission issued to the District Magistrate of Bahraich for the examination of the present officiating Sub-Judge of that place, as to date of the return of Ikbal Ali from leave in 1895. Otherwise the case against the Sub-Judge as formulated in the first four charges known as Ibad Ali's case, is contained in the above evidence. Mr. Chamier then went on to charges 7 and 8, forming what is known as "Sukhram Das's case." The charges allege that the Sub-Judge received illegal gratifications from Sukhram Das in two cases, viz.—(1) Ajudhia Parshad (grandson of Sukhram Das) versus Ram Rattan and Mussammat Asurja, and (2) Ram Kumar versus Sukhram Das and two others.

Sukhram Das: Have a shop at Nawabganj and one in Gonda. My munim or manager is Bhairo Pershad. Ram Rattan sued me for demolition of a godown in Nawabganj and got decree. He also sued me for redemption of my share in an additional mortgage effected by Chandrika Bakah, whose equity or redemption he had bought and he got a decree. I was awarded less redemption money than I was entitled to. I had to pay all costs in both cases. There were two other cases in the Sub-Judge's Court at that time, in which I was a party: (1) Ram Kumar against me for redemption; (2) a claim made by my son, Mathura Pershad, against Mussammat Asurja and Ram Rattan. After the two first mentioned cases had been decided against me, and whilst the two last mentioned were pending, I went to the Sub-Judge's house. I went first when Ram Kumar's case was on. I said: "I have a case; some consideration should be shown me." I told him about the case and its value, and said: "This is why I have come." He laughed, and said: What! empty handed?" I replied: "I am ready to do what you say." He asked one-fourth of the claim (Rs. 1,200), i. e., Rs. 300. I agreed and went away. After several days I took Rs. 290. (Witness then gave a lot of evidence about entries in his books, to show that an item, Rs. 290, was entered under date Bhadon Badi 5th, stating that this was the date he made the entry, and not the date of actual payment.) I went to the Sub-Judge's in Ram Kumar's case, when I had not given anything in the first two cases decided, because the decisions in them had been unfavourable to me. That in the godown case did not please me, and in the mortgage case I was given less than I was entitled to. I appealed in the godown case and got a decree according to arrangement of parties. Did not appeal in the additional mortgage case, because I was in great trouble on account of my son's death, &c. I also visited the Sub-Judge in the case against Mussammat Asurja. My son brought it and died. His son, my grandson, became plaintiff, and Bindraban, my nephew, was appointed guardian. I merely mentioned the case, and said I would call again. I went again and gave the Sub-Judge Rs. 450. There had been no discussion of terms in this latter case. I acted on what he had asked in Ram Kumar's case, viz., one-fourth. The full fourth would have been Rs. 500. I drew Rs. 500from my shop and had Rs. 450 put in a bag and put Rs. 50 in my pocket, because I wanted to get out of giving the full Rs. 500, if possible; so I said I could not bring more than Rs 450, though I had the other Rs. 50 in my pocket. (Witness gave a lot of evidence about his books, to show that they contained entries of this Rs. 450.) Prag Dat accompanied me. He stopped in the ver-andah. I went in and paid the money—came out—and went away together. Have never been to SubJudge's bungalow since Asurja's case. I went because small folk all go, and was there any wolf to devour me? Everyone goes to that particular place, where they can serve some object of theirs. Whether they succeed or fail, they go. (This witness evi- dence then stood over till the next day pending the arrival of certain books.)

Prag Dat, Brahmin: Am servant to last witness under Bhairo Pershad, munim. I went to the Sub-Judge's house once, with Sukhram. At his order I got an ekka, Bhairo put Rs. 450 in a bag and I ram put Rs. 50 in his pocket. I took the bag, and I and Sukhram went on the ekka to the Sub-Judge's. It stoped on the road; he went inside the gate. I stopped in the verandah, Sukhram went inside the house, taking the bag from me. After a little, he came out empty-handed; we got on the ekka and went to the city.

To the Court: It was about two years ago, at the beginning of the rainy season. I did not see the Sub-Judge that day myself.

Case adjourned till Friday, 5th June.

The evidence in "Ibad Ali's case" (comprising four of the Government charges) and in "Sukhram's case (two charges) is all but finished. The third case is, at present, unopened. It is understood that Mr. Ross Scott will be examined on Saturday regarding the inquiry made and statements recorded by him.

THE BRITISH AND RUSSIAN NAVAL SQUADRONS IN THE FAR EAST.

THE list which we published on the 29th of November last, of the various foreign naval squadrons in the Far East, made a considerable impression at home, being republished in the "Times" and many other papers. We showed that the total tonnage under the various flags was as under :—

American	18,553 tons
British	58,908 "
French	29,663 "
German	23,078 "
Russian	58,838 "

It was evidently not a comfortable thought to people at home that the Russian force alone should be as large, as the British, the Russian and French together being very much larger, and a serious attempt has been made to explain this away. The "Times" of the 9th of April, has an article from an occasional correspondent written with this intention, in which there is a perfectly gratuitous sneer at "the absurd accounts in circulation as to the number and strength of the Russian fleet in these distant waters". The writer says :—

"Notwithstanding an official assurance to the effect that the comparative naval strength of this country in the East is such as to give no cause for uneasiness, a doubt still appears to prevail on the subject. In some quarters, indeed, so much is the position misapprehended that a demand has been made to increase the force under the command of Vice-Admiral Buller. This erroneous view has been taken, in all probability, owing to a too ready acceptance of the absurd accounts in circulation as to the number and strength of the Russian fleet in those distant waters. The Russian squadron has, indeed, been considerably augmented during the last few months, but even with the additions thus made it is by the equal of our own squadron, the second in importance which we maintain abroad. In order to demonstrate that this is the case, a naval officer on the China station has drawn up the following tabulated comparison of the ships of the two Powers, with their dimensions and principal characteristics.

The tabulated statement which follows, gives the total Russian tonnage at 54,839 tons, and the British at 64,887 tons. The Russian tonnage is arrived at by omitting the Nayeshdnik and Rynda, which have left the station since our article was published. We must, of course, accept the statement that the "Times" list was drawn up by 'a naval officer on the China station,' but it is curious that he should include the Razboynik which does not appear to be on the station, and exclude the Zabiaka which certainly is out here. It is curious, too, that in the British list the Redbreast is included, which is not on this station at all. The British list is augmented by the inclusion of the Immortalite and Narcissus, which have replaced the Caroline and Mercury since our list was compiled. In fact, the list published in the "Times" themselves show that our statement was perfectly accurate at the time it was drawn up, except that the Rurik had been erroneously described as having reached Singapore at that time, whereas she was only on the way. That we have a preponderance now over the Russian squadron is quite true; but our squadron is considerably inferior in tonnage—if not in fighting power—to the French and Russian squadrons combined.

The following is the summary drawn up by the correspondent of the "Times":—

	British.	Russian.
Numbers	(23 ships 3 torpedo boats	(18 ships 13 torpedo boats
Tonnage	64,887	54,839
Average speed, knots	15¼	14·3
Guns	445	350
Torpedo tubes	43	38

No mention is made herein of the fast ships of the Russian Volunteer Fleet, which can be immediately converted into cruisers in case of need, and which, while they cannot be classed strictly as fighting ships, would draw off the services of some of our fighting ships to watch them, should war break out here.—N.-C. Daily News."

THE SEVENTH MOON FEAST.

MR. GEORGE LESLIE MACKAY, writes in "Far Formosa":—Idolatry is the mother of a very extensive industry, as the manufacture of idols is a thriving business. There is little art about it, the Chinese idols are inartistic in form, grotesque, hideous. They are made some times of stone or bronze, generally of wood or clay. The wood of the camphor-tree is often used in idol manufacture. Many of the Chinese, especially the women, are devout worshippers; many others are sceptical, and the majority are careless. Idolatry has a powerful hold on their minds, but it is only when reverses and troubles come that the average man will resort to the temple. They believe the gods have power to help or to injure them, but so long as things go well they are careless about their devotions. There are great occasions when a feast is held or a general offering made, and then all evotional arrearages are wiped out. I once attended an immense offering and feast—one of the God of Medicine, when an offering of two hundred hogs was made. It was on the birthday of the god, and in a grass hut on a small plateau five miles north of Tamsui the idol was seated. In front of the god, paper, fowl, pigs, fruits, tea, and spirituous liquors were set. A Tauist priest performed incantations, bowing, chanting, and beseeching the god to be favourable and to partake of the feast provided. Fragrant incense-sticks were burned, and at intervals much money was offered. Outside the hut men were busy preparing the great feast for the god. Two hundred dressed hogs, on frames prepared for the purpose, were ranged all round in rows, an orange in the mouth of each, and a large knife stuck in the back of the neck. These hogs varied in weight from fifty to four hundred and eighty pounds. Fully four thousand men, women, and children were present, each family displaying its own articles to the best advantage. In the evening torches, music, and theatrical performances added to the honour done to the poor camphorwood god in the grass hut.

The most elaborate and hideous scene I ever witnessed was the "Seventh Moon Feast." The seventh month was the time for making offerings to all departed spirits. It was a time of great festivity and excitement. The custom prevailed in all the cities and towns in North Formosa of erecting, in an open space of several acres, great cone-like structures of bamboo poles, from five to ten feet in diameter at the base, and sometimes fifty or sixty feet high. Around these cones, from bottom to top, immence quantities of food, offered to the spirits, were tied in rows. There were ducks and smaller fowl, dead and alive, pork, fish, cakes, fruits, bananas, pine-apples, and all manner of delicacies in season; and fastened everywhere in the mass were hundreds of huge fire-crackers. On one occasion I saw fifty such cones at a feast at Bang-kah. It was a gruesome sight. When night came on and the time for summoning the spirits approached, the cones were illuminated with dozens of lighted candles. Then the priest took up their position on a raised platform, and by clapping their hands and sounding a large brass gong they called the spirits of all the departed to come and feast on the food provided. "Out of the way, all ye other world" the dead were given time to come and to gorge themselves on the "spiritual" part of the feast, the essence, that was suited to their ethereal requirements.

Soon while a very unspiritual mob—thousands and thousands of hungry beggars, tramps, blacklegs, desperadoes of all sorts, from the country towns, the city slums, or venturing under cover of the night from their hiding-places among the hills—surged and swelled in every part of the open space, impatiently waiting their turn at the feast. When the spirits had consumed the "spiritual" part, the "carnal" was the property of the mob, and the mob quite understood this division. But the time seemed long. At length the spirits were satisfied and the gong was sounded once more. That was the signal for the mob; and scarcely had the first stroke fallen when that whole scene was one mass of arms and legs and tongues. Screaming, cursing, howling, like demons of the pit, they all joined in the onset. A rush was made for the cones, and those nearest seized the supports and pulled now this way, now that. The huge, heavily laden structures began to sway from side to side until with a crash one after another fell into the crowd, crushing their way to the ground. Then it was every man for himself. In one wild scramble, groaning and yelling all the while, trampling on those who had lost their footing or were smothered by the falling cones, fighting and tearing one another like mad dogs, they all made for the coveted food. It was a very bedlam, and the wildness of the scene was enhanced by the irregular explosion of the fire-crackers and the death-groan of some one wounded in the fray. As each secured what he could carry, he tried to extricate himself from the mob, holding fast to the treasures for which he had fought so hard. Those of the less successful in the outskirts of the crowd would fain plunder him. Escaping the mob, he hurried to his home, expecting every moment to be attacked by those who thought it easier to waylay and rob the solitary spoilsman than to join in the general scramble in the plain. One cannot estimate the demoralising effects of such feasts; and it is to the credit of that progressive governor, Liu Ming Chuan, that the barbarities of the "Seventh Moon Feast" have been entirely abolished in Formosa. Such a sight as has been described will never again be witnessed.

THE DASHUR EXPLORATIONS.

M. JACQUES DE MORGAN, in "Harper's Magazine," says:—The important results that I had obtained during the preceding year in my first campaign as an explorer in the necropolis at Dashur led me to devote the winter of 1894-95 to the examination of those structures which my earlier operations had not allowed me to inspect, and with this new year discoveries as remarkable as those foregoing them, if, indeed, not of greater interest, occurred as the reward of my effort and of four months spent in the midst of the sands of the desert. It was on November 15 that I resumed my operations, employing in them the "fellahs" of Sakkara and their two "reis," Rubi Hamzarri and his son Khalif Hamzarri whose practical knowledge and long experience have been often of such utility to me. Rubi Hamzarri was a young man when Marietta Bey opened the Serapeum of the New Empire, in 1852. Since that time he has not ceased to be the "chef de chantiers" and main assistant of the founder of our antiquarian service. While Mariette Bey was carrying on his operations at Sakkara, Rubi was growing old in his profession, and so taught his son the secrets of the business, along with those principles of honesty and discipline unfortunately very rare among the "fellahin" of the present generation. The two men are notable figures in their calling. Enjoying the greatest respect on the part of the village folk, they are solicitous for such respect even more than for money; and, before all things else, they are thoroughly interested in their occupation as antiquarian explorers.

As to the actual workmen that I employ—who number some two hundred or two hundred and fifty men—these are all from the village of Sakkara itself. The men are paid at an average rate of seventy-five centimes a day for each digger. Children receive fifty centimes, and are utilised in carrying away earth in baskets, which they poise on their heads. To be sure, this process is a supernatural one. But the Egyptian "fellah" abides by it, and any improvements on it are dismissed by him with scorn. There is a gain in picturesqueness through it, assuredly; for nothing is more curious than to watch those files of children hastening on and off, like ants to an anthill, to empty their baskets at the place assigned; while at the same time the carts, tilted over by the "chantiers," remain quite useless. But the most improved methods of such work seem only to bear testimony to the original strength of primitive means—those by which the pyramids themselves were erected, and the greatest edifices of antiquity brought into existence. The "fellah" workman withal is industrious; he subsists on a little bread and water, adding a few dates, or cucumbers, or vegetables, though very rarely any meat—a thing much too costly for his resources. Hence, when my explorations have led to an important discovery, I follow the custom of regaling the labourers with—a native buffalo! This means a "fete" for the village. It was in the midst of such simple people, in his Sakkara house, that Marietta Bey lived many years. It was with them that I as well spent my winters, dividing my time between my editorial necessities and my explorations in the field of operations. And Marietta Bey was right in his liking for the "fellah" and his desert. One experiences in the neighbourhood of these vast cities of the dead, buried in the sands, poetical emotions impossible to define.

I resumed, on November 15, 1894, the labours that had been given over on June 17 in the same year. I had various ends to follow out. I was anxious to continue the researches made under the Pyramid of Usertesen III., in order that I might light upon the royal chamber in it; to seek under the southerly pyramid for bricks from the tomb of Amenemhat III.; and, finally, to examine once again the ruins that lie halfway between the understructure of the Semphisian Necropolis, indicated under the rubric "Pyramid No. LI."—that one ordinarily called in the vicinity the "White Mastaba"—"Mastaba el Beidah." In the Pyramid of Usertesen III. I had already come upon its Gallery of Princesses and Treasures. I knew the name of the king who had been buried there, which name had been found in the ruins of the neighbouring funerary temple. But, in spite of very general mining, I had not yet been able to reach the royal funerary apartments when I was terminating my first campaign. The heats of the month of June came on with such intensity that it was not possible to keep lights burning in the galleries. The air was insufficient for the lungs of my workmen. In November my first care was to adjust a system of artificial aeration, in the same manner in which ordinary miners manage the matter, and also properly to re-enforce with wood certain portions of the galleries that had become unsafe. By November 17, these preparations being finished, I began the new ramifications with the layers occurring in the western understructure of the edifice. The theories accepted up to that time had affirmed that the funerary chambers were situated under the centre of such as edifice, whether the upper portion of their ceilings was made a part of the lower layers of the pyramid, or had been formed into a roomy cavity, open to the sky, before the construction of the exterior parts of the monument. But it has happened with this notion precisely as with all theories based on imperfect premises—it proves to be at fault. For, on November 23, after a week's effort, I came upon the royal apartments, built in a spacious excavation in the rock itself, and far westward of the centre of the pyramid in question. The royal sepulchre of the king consists of several chambers, that of the sarcophagus, the most important one, being constructed in the chalkwhite granite of Assouan. The other apartments, made of Turah limestone, are less roomy, but finished with a care equal to the royal one, properly so called. A very narrow passage way permitted the transportation of the royal mummy to the tomb itself. The entrance to this passage way was through a shaft situated in the westerly part of the pyramid. The sarcophagus was introduced by another passage. But I could not pursue this gallery, on account of some obstacles to my workmen's efforts.

The tomb of Usertesen III. was absolutely empty. The spoilers of it had carried off even the smallest fragments of the sarcophagus. Before turning away from these violated and pillaged chambers the intruders had traced upon the walls human figures, caricatures representing Egyptian subjects, and even a series of busts, the characteristics of which were so removed from the artistic usages of ancient Egypt that one could readily conclude that they had been learned from their previous owners some of those faults and failings which so often mar the character of a polo pony. For, putting aside vicious ponies and those disliking the game, and are thus useless, there can be no doubt that the faults of ponies are usually only the faults of their riders in an equine form. The pony pulls because the man who is an uncertain horseman steadies himself amid the trials of the game by his pony's mouth, and perhaps as a hard gallop he literally holds himself in the saddle in the same way. To this pony his knees and legs convey no intimation, inasmuch as his own control over them is uncertain; so hise wishes have to be conveyed by tugs, often quite double ones, at the long enduring animal's mouth. Thus the pony learns to pull. In the same way he learns to stop over the ball, because the player who is a poor horseman insensibly catches tight hold of the reins when he hits the ball, and thus the pony dreads the pain, or if his mouth be callous he answers to what he thinks is a signal to stop, and acts accordingly. The fine player, such for example as Mr. "Johnnie" Peat, sits with a loose rein. There was no tightening as each stroke, sure and certain, from him at last fell on the flying ball, and the pony—says Dynamite—never stretched, swerved, or faltered in his stride as it came. That was a perfect polo partnership. It was the pony's business to gallop, to follow the twisting ball, to avoid collisions, and to make the rider's aim surer. It was the man's duty to hit the ball. Each knew his part and performed it to perfection. Now that perfection arose from the fact that the horses, Peat, like many other fine players, such as Lord Harrington and Mr. A. Rawlinson, trained their own ponies, not from motives of economy, but because it is only so that you can reach the front rank of polo players.

How then shall I set about doing this? is the natural question of the man who feels that he has the horsemanship, the eye, and above all the patience for the task. The following hints are meant only for those who would attain the highest place in the game, and hope to play in a free-booter team for the open championship, or help to win the county cup against—shall we say?—a Rugby team. Make up your mind then in the first place that your ponies shall do nothing else. They should—I am speaking of first-class match ponies—neither be ridden as hacks, driven in your cart, or above all hunted. If you choose to use them for anything, then to drive one as leader in a tandem will do no harm. But it is better not to do so. The horse is not without intelligence as some people say, but he has a limited intelligence, and whereas in polo or hunting you need his brain as well as his muscle, it is better to keep the animal for the one thing only. In small matters people teach him at the wrong end. Naturally they think that the thing the pony will fear most is the stick swinging round his head. Nothing of the kind. Nearly every pony ceases to mind the stick after about two or three lessons. But that takes them much longer to learn, and is far more important, is to teach them to use their own limbs and to have a proper control over their legs—to stop, to turn, to start, to twist and bend, and these are not things a pony can do by nature. The young or unschooled animal sprawls about, crosses his legs and falls. Yet what is required to cure this is a very simple process. The figure of eight done for many days in large and small circles, slowly and fast, is the chief, and single, antidote for the awkwardness part of a pony's training. There is, however, one thing more that is needful, and that is to accustom your pony to the ball, and to make him look on it as, so to speak, a natural incident in life. One brilliant player, whose ponies are wonderful, tells me his secret is that his ponies are trained young, and that the ball is always with them. In their stables is a white polo ball and they never see it out for exercise without it. The man who rides them in the field must be armed with a stick, to which is attached, by a string, a ball, and this from time to time he throws out and draws back again. Thus the pony learns that he bears the relationship of Mary's little lamb to the ball, and wherever the ball goes he is bound to follow. And when he comes to play he does not forget the lesson. Everyone who has played the game knows the advantage of a pony that keeps his eye on the ball, and follows and turns as swiftly almost as the ball itself.

In the two methods I have given lies the whole secret of training ponies. Easy enough and very simple, but you will find in practice that to carry them out requires time, money, and patience, and a good deal of all these. How many ponies you will buy, how may years will elapse before you get the four first-class ponies of every player's dream, it is difficult to say; but this at least is certain—your boxes will be filled and emptied many a time, and you will be a few years older before it happens. But if you mean to succeed, you can and will.

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"About this tyme (the end of the year 1550) thair come ane gret ship, and with her ye pink, birth of Muscovia bowin towards England with ane ambassador from the Emperor of Muscovia, quhilk and pink was drevin be great stormes and windis apoun the northest of Scotlands, at Kynardis heid, within the countrey of Buchane, quhair a gret nombre of their campanie was dround and bitch the shippes, the moist pairt of his guidis losed be the wrake of the sey; but the ambassadour himselfe was saved, with a gret part of his companie, and was weill entertenit be the countreymen, and conveyit theirfra to Edinburgh to the Quene Regent, quha efter guid intertenement caused the Lord Hwme accompanie him to Berwik in the moneth of Februar thairefter."

Some account of this first Embassy is also mentioned by Holmshed in 1557, and although its purpose was undoubtedly a commercial as well as political one, it was well a calculated stroke of policy on the part of Ivan, and the "certaine letters tenderly conceived," as well as the princely presents were manifest tokens of amity and friendship, not only between Ivan IV. and Philip and Mary, but between the subjects of both realms. These said "tenderly conceived" credentials unluckily perished in the disastrous wreck, and the presents sent by the Czar were (sad to relate!) "spoyled by the Scots after the shipwracke." It is, however, recorded that they were of the most tavish description, comprising rich sables, some of them entire skins, exceedingly beautiful, with teeth, ears, and claws; four hundred sables, with chains and collars, lus-aruis and furs, "worn onely by the Emperour for woorthinesse." Also a "large and fair white jerfawcon for the wilde swanne crane, goose and other great fowles, together with a

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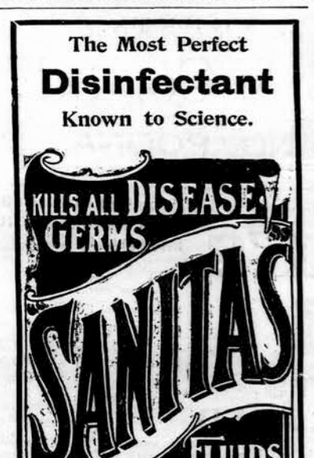

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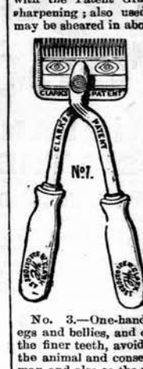

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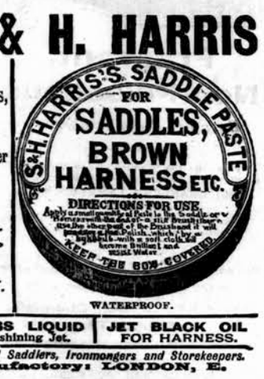

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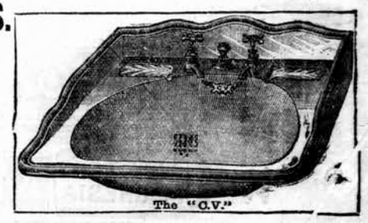

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